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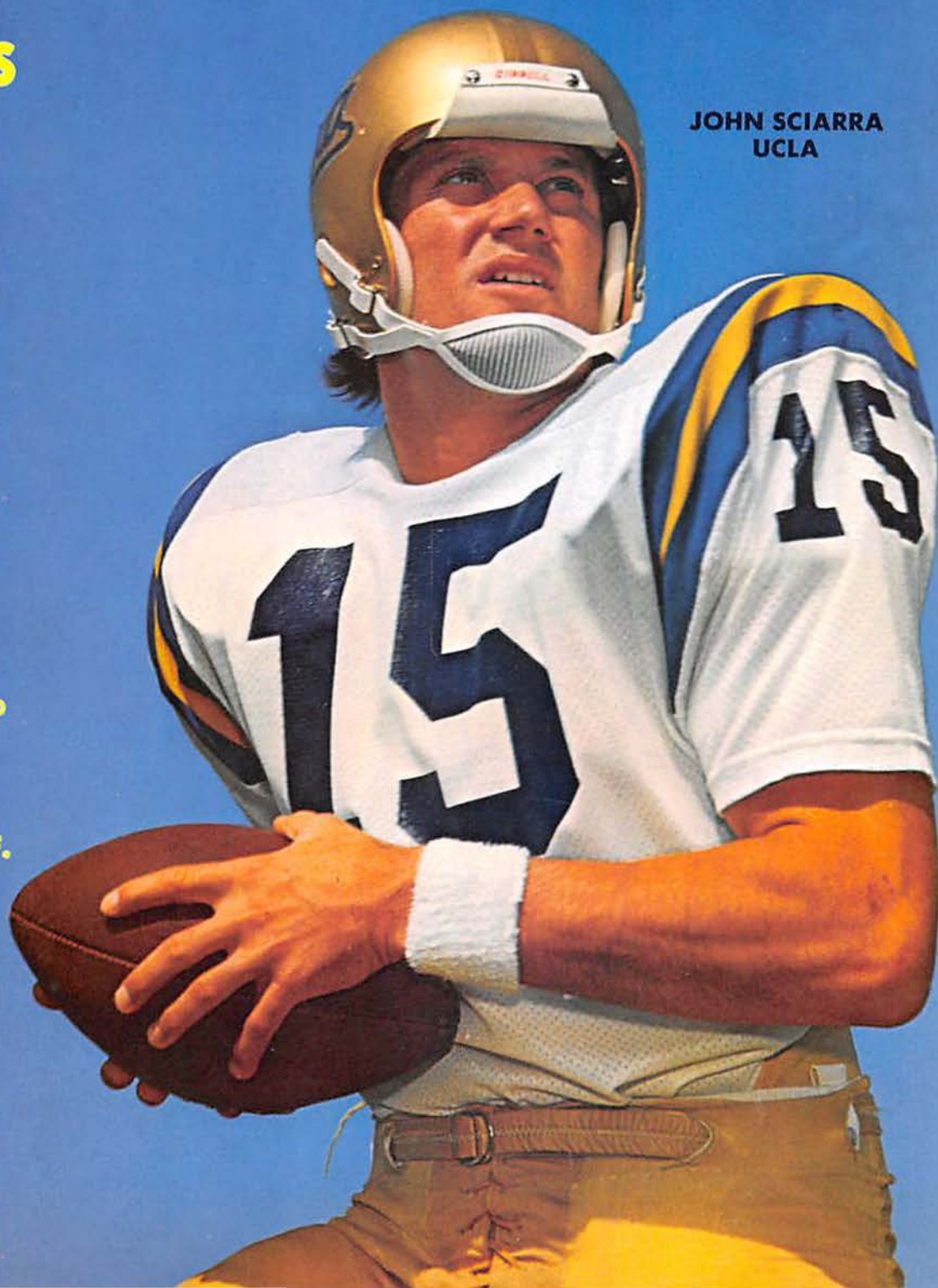
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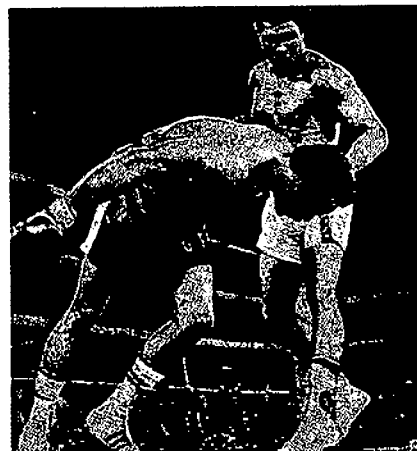
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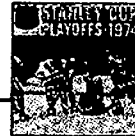
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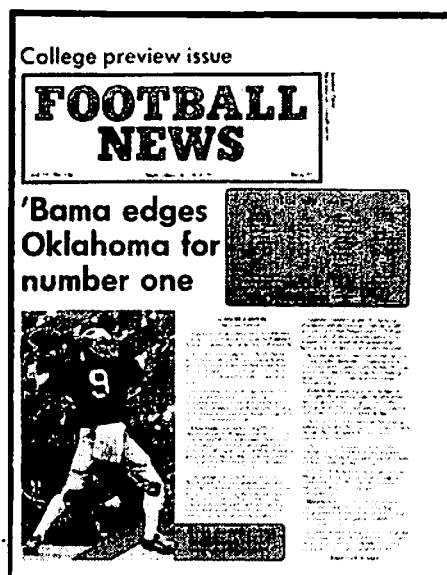
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5. Notre Dame

6. Auburn
7. Alabama
8. Texas A&M
9. Texas
10. Michigan State

11. Stanford
12. Missouri
13. Arizona
14. Penn State
15. Tennessee

You won't find 'em in a bowl game or in the coaches poll, but the Oklahoma Sooners again figure to be the nation's top team. Riding out the last year of their probation by the NCAA, the Sooners possess a 29-game unbeaten streak and seek their fourth straight Big Eight title.

Missouri and Nebraska, though formidable, don't pack the power to unseat Oklahoma for the conference crown. O.U. Coach Barry Switzer boasts plenty of talent and claims he has the best backfield in the school's history, led by quarterback Steve Davis.

The Big Ten again has the two perennial contenders for the crown—Michigan and Ohio State—plus improved Michigan State. Defense will be the key for Michigan, which has lost QB Dennis Franklin. Archie Griffin, the Heisman Trophy winner, and QB Cornelius Greene are the key returnees for the Buckeyes.

Southern California lost Anthony Davis and Pat Haden among 21 lettermen and have only eight starters back, but the Trojans again look like the

class of the Far West. Stanford is next best, with UCLA and California trailing behind.

Notre Dame has a new coach in Dan Devine and only two offensive and six defensive regulars back, but the Irish always have fresh troops in the wings.

For a change, Auburn may emerge as the best in the Southeastern Conference in a close battle with Alabama, which has won four straight SEC crowns. Tennessee also could be trouble.

Last year Baylor won the Southwest Conference championship and Texas A&M appears the best this time because of 41 returning lettermen. Texas, which had its six-year reign ended last year, again will be tough.

Arizona, led by solid QB Bruce Hill, has 31 of its top players back and gets the nod over Arizona State in the Western Athletic Conference scramble.

As always, Penn State is the best in the East, although the loss of key personnel, may hinder the Nittany Lions from going too far in the national rankings.

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DAVIS, STEVE	Oklahoma
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GARNER, SCOTT	Virginia
GREENE, CORNELIUS	Ohio State
HILL, BRUCE	Arizona
SCIARRA, JOHN	UCLA
SWICK, GENE	Toledo
TODD, RICHARD	Alabama

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FOX, TIM (db)	Ohio State
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GRIFFIN, ARCHIE	Ohio State
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MORGAN, STANLEY	Tennessee
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MUNCIE, CHUCK	California
PENNY, RICK (db)	Iowa
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REECE, DANNY	Southern California
SMITH, LAVERNE	Kansas
WASHINGTON, JOE	Oklahoma
WILLIAMS, FREDDIE	Arizona State

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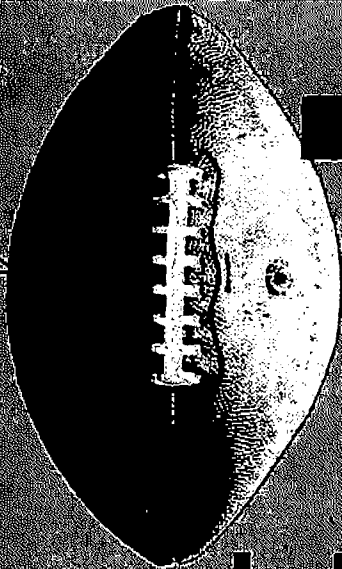
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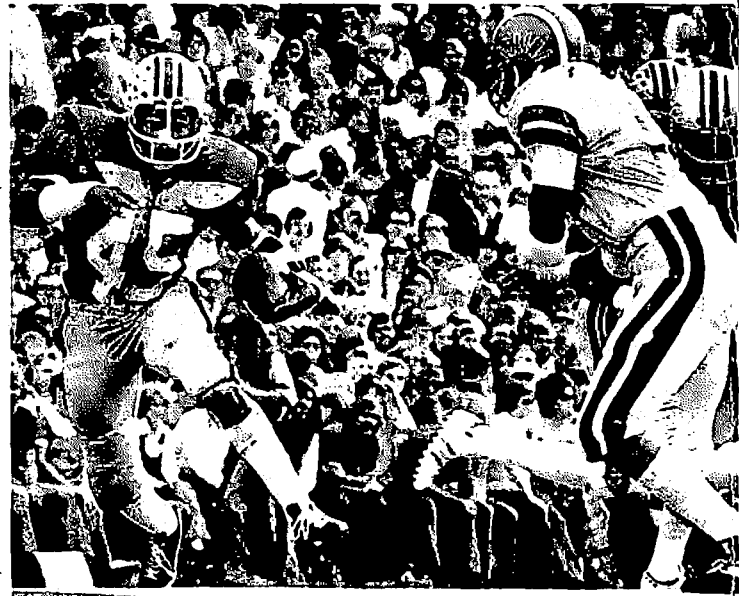


JEFF PERLINGER, Michigan tackle, stops Minnesota QB TONY DUNGY and was one of keys to tough defense.

DON DUFEK, Wolverine roverback has been regular since soph year and guard TIM DAVIS had 19 solo tackles.



FRANK ALLOCCO, senior, heads scramble for Notre Dame quarterback job after providing valuable backup strength.

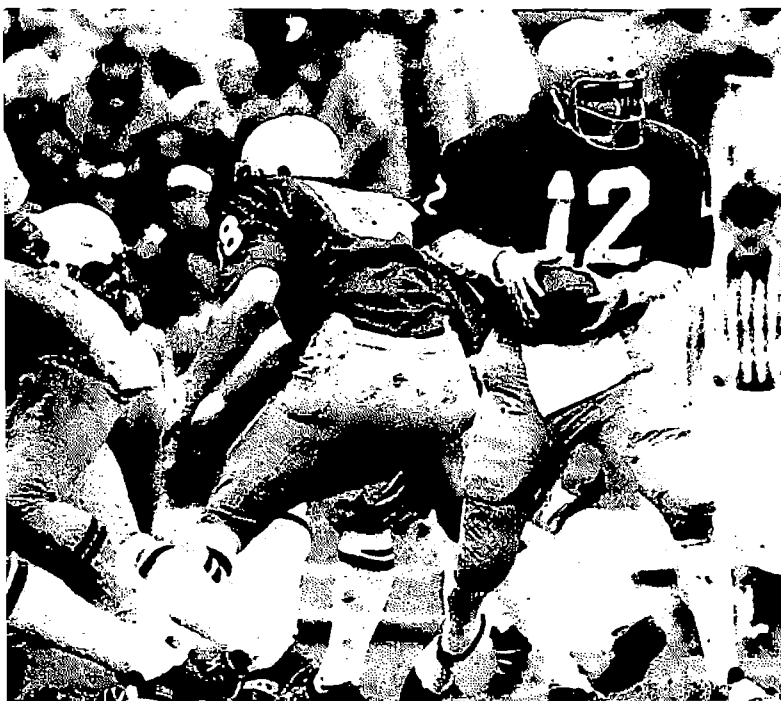


ARCHIE GRIFFIN tallied 12 TDs for Ohio State and won Heisman Trophy.

CORNELIUS GREENE, had 18 TDs as Buckeye QB half of them via aerals.



WOODY HAYES has 200 victories during coaching career, 169 at Ohio State.





By Paul Hornung

Columbus, Ohio Dispatch sports editor Paul Hornung is vet Big Ten grid expert.

Mid-West

WOLVERINE'S SUPERIOR DEFENSE RATES OVER BUCKEYE SUPERIOR OFFENSE

PREDICTIONS

Big Ten

- | | |
|-------------------|------------------|
| 1. Michigan | 6. Purdue |
| 2. Ohio State | 7. Minnesota |
| 3. Michigan State | 8. Indiana |
| 4. Wisconsin | 9. Iowa |
| 5. Illinois | 10. Northwestern |

Independents

- | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Notre Dame | 5. Wayne State |
| 2. Cincinnati | 6. Indiana State |
| 3. Dayton | 7. Akron |
| 4. Western Illinois | 8. Illinois State |

Mid-American

- | | |
|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Miami | 7. Ball State |
| 2. Kent State | 8. Western Michigan |
| 3. Bowling Green | 9. Northern Illinois |
| 4. Central Michigan | * Eastern Michigan |
| 5. Toledo | not eligible for title |
| 6. Ohio Univ. | until 1976. |

Ohio Conference

- | Blue Division | Red Division |
|--------------------|------------------|
| 1. Baldwin Wallace | 1. Wittenberg |
| 2. Marietta | 2. Mt. Union |
| 3. Otterbein | 3. Capital |
| 4. Muskingum | 4. Ohio Wesleyan |
| 5. Heidelberg | 5. Denison |
| 6. Wooster | * Kenyon |
| | * Ohio Northern |

* not competing for title

Play it again, Sam, that old familiar melody: Michigan and Ohio State as a toss-up for the Big 10 championship and Notre Dame all-world among the independents.

But this time, Sam, finger in a little pianissimo about a new kid on the block who might challenge the big guys—unless he's standing in the punishment corner.

It's been eight years since anybody but the Wolverines and Buckeyes tasted even a share of the league title pie and this is the first time in those eight years a really serious contender—Michigan State—has existed.

The monopoly has been on the incredible side and the same can be said for the annual season-ending duels between Woody Hayes' Buckeyes and Bo Schembechler's Wolverines.

They finished all even in 1972-73-74, with Ohio State getting the Rose Bowl trip each time (to Schembechler's chagrin). Before that, Ohio State had won outright in 1968 (a year before Bo arrived at Ann Arbor), they'd been co-champions in 1969. Ohio State ruled alone in 1970 and Michigan in 1971.

And how close can a championship play-off be?

The '72 score was 14-11, Ohio State, with Michigan being held for downs twice inside the 5-yard line; the '73 score 10-10, with Michigan missing two field goals in the last quarter, and the '74 score 12-10, Ohio State, with Michigan missing another last-minute field goal.

Old Master Woody, 62 and embarking on his 25th season at Ohio State, is 3-2—with a tie—over former pupil Bo, 43, and in his seventh year at Michigan, in this bloodless vendetta between two recovered heart patients.

Schembechler is a stunning 58-7-1 since joining the Big 10 and Hayes 52-10-1 over the same period, but 169-51-8 for the 24 years (he ended last year with 202 career coaching wins).

They could very well be doing it all over again at Ann Arbor, Nov. 22, for the right to holiday in Pasadena. What's more, it could just as easily be another co-championship.

Both Schembechler and Hayes have more extensive rebuilding projects than usual, but both retain enough great athletes to assure that it will be done.

Both may have less talent depth than some other years, but both recruited enough outstanding high school grads to fortify the ranks against injury and disappointment.

And, when the chips are down, they and their charges have the invaluable intangible of success at how winning is done.

Schembechler must find replacements for 13 regulars, including Dennis Franklin, who played three years of all-Big 10 quarterback, and Dave Brown, a two-year All-America safety.

He has brilliant tailbacks in Gordon Bell and Rob Lytle, the line has been patched up and recruits include two runners ranked among the best in the

country. But quarterback is still an uncertainty.

Michigan's strength will again be its defense, best in the league and probably best in the college field last year. Return of four all-Big 10 first teamers—end Dan Jilek, tackle Jeff Perlinger, middle guard Tim Davis and "Wolfman" Don Dufek—and experienced help at the graduation spots should add up to another super platoon.

In fact, the Wolverine defense may have been too good last year. It forced Ohio State into four field goals—and all hit.

Hayes also has only nine 1974 starters, but four of them represent the offensive backfield and one of them is college football's first citizen, Heisman Trophy owner Archie Griffin.

By contrast with Michigan, Ohio State has a proven quarterback in nimblefooted Cornelius Greene and the fastest receiver in its history, split end Lennie Willis (9.3).

All-Big 10 prospects Brian Baschnagel at wingback, Scott Dannelley at tackle and Ted Smith at guard should help Archie have a big senior year. He's been over 100 yards in his last 22 regular season starts.

Hayes' defense will be all new except for linebacker Ken Kuhn, tackle Nick Buonamici and All-America free safety candidate Tim Fox. But it will be replenished with big-league talent.

"Sure," assured Woody, "we'll have another good ball club."

Going into '75, Ohio State has the superior offense, Michigan the superior defense. By Nov. 22, Schembechler may have developed a quarterback and Hayes a well-knit defense.

So, at great risk, this year's nod goes to the Wolverines on the basis of defense, maybe a slight edge in reserve and the fact the showdown game will be at Ann Arbor. Also, Bo's due.

Michigan State could change all that. Then again, the NCAA could change Michigan State. The Spartans have been under investigation by the NCAA for a reported 40-50 allegations of recruiting violations.

If they should be found guilty, they could be ruled out of Rose Bowl consideration. If given a clean bill of health, they could play themselves very much into consideration.

Denny Stolz has 16 of the 22 starters who caught fire in mid-1974 and finished with five straight wins for second in the Big 10, half a game from the leaders. In fact, only a mishandled extra point against Illinois kept them from going in a three-way co-championship.

"We feel we're going to be a Big 10 contender," says Stolz and this time everybody listens.

He has one of the country's better quarterbacks in Charley Baggett, an all-Big 10 fullback in Levi Jackson and all-Big 10 end, Otto Smith, to head up a big, rugged and tough-as-always defense.

Wisconsin's John Jardine could have another free-wheeling offensive unit, because Billy Marek and most of his helpers return. Marek is second only to Griffin as a runner and twice all-Big 10.

But Jardine must find a quarterback and improve his defense if the Badgers are to be a factor in the race.

By a quirk of the schedule, the four top contenders will get a quick line on how things are. Ohio State opens against Michigan State at East Lansing (where the Buckeyes have been upset on two recent visits) and Michigan will kick off at Wisconsin.

Illinois could be a dark horse. Bob Blackman may have come up with a quarterback in soph Kurt Steger and return of Lonnie Perrin and Steve Green to join Chubby Phillips at running back should mean a first rate offense.

But the defense is a concern, with only three regulars back.

The other five teams appear unlikely to figure, although Purdue and Minnesota might cause some upheaval in the ranks on a given Saturday.

Alex Agase has an established quarterback at Purdue in Mark Vitali, but an admitted lack of depth on both offense and defense.

Cal Stoll also has his quarterback returning at Minnesota in Tony Dungy and some fine running backs. But the defense caused problems last year and lost further by graduation.

Lee Corso's Indiana offense should be improved, with record-setting halfback Courtney Snyder and Big 10 percentage leader Terry Jones at quarter. But the Hoosiers are coming off a 1-10 season.

Bob Commings surprised last year at Iowa by winning three games, but he's faced with finding a quarterback and the defense may have a struggle—even more than late last year.

Johnny Pont has strong running at Northeastern in Jim Pooler and Greg Boykin, but quarterback is unsure and the defense was the league's most-scored upon last year.

Dan Devine is another coach with a major rebuilding project and an unsettled quarterback situation.

He took over at Notre Dame last winter when Ara Parseghian promised himself a one-year disassociation with football and retired.

Devine inherited only two offensive and six defensive starters from Ara's 10-2 team, but may get a terrific boost if five players dismissed from school last year for violation of university rules are reinstated. They've so petitioned.

Four of them—offensive halfback Al Hunter, defensive ends Ross Browner and Willie Fry and defensive back Luther Bradley—would be candidates for first-line jobs and the fifth, offensive halfback Dan Knott, would be a welcome backup.

The Irish offense will be inexperienced and probably less effective than last year. Quarterback appears to be especially troublesome.

But the defense should be awesome again, particularly if Browner, Bradley and Fry are added. Tackle Steve Niehaus and end Jim Stock are All-America calibre.

If Devine can generate an offense, Notre Dame could be back in some Bowl on Jan. 1.

Miami University has reigned as Mid-American champion for two straight years and is a favorite for a third, even though graduation drained away some of its stars.

Dick Crum did such a solid job in his first year he was named "Ohio College Coach of the Year" and the second trip figures to be no letdown. The Red-

skins are unbeaten in 23 starts and ranked 10th in last year's final polls.

Kent State is the logical challenger, with Bowling Green within striking distance. NCAA Division II champion Central Michigan moves into the big school class, as well as the Mid-Am, and might be a factor in the race.

Wittenberg won the Ohio Conference playoff by beating Baldwin-Wallace and both have enough talent returning to make a rematch likely.

The Mid-West section boasts its usual plethora of All-America candidates. Griffin should be a cinch for his fourth straight year and Marek could make it a Big 10 sweep. Others who rate as bona-fide prospects would include:

Steve Niehaus, T; Jim Stock, E; Ken MacAfee, OE, Notre Dame; Charlie Baggett, QB; Levi Jackson, FB; Otto Smith, DE; Tom Graves, DHB, Michigan State; Gordon Bell, HB; Tim Davis, MG, Michigan; Ken Novak, DT, Purdue; Tim Fox, DHB, Ted Smith, OG Ohio State; Dennis Lick OT, Wisconsin; Dean March, DE, Illinois; Keith Simons, DT, Minnesota; Donnie Thomas, LB, Indiana; Rick Penney, DHB, Iowa; Yelvington, TE, Northwestern; Larry Faulk, DT, Kent State; Dave Preston, HB, Bowling Green; Gene Swick, QB, Toledo; Clarence Sanders, LB, Cincinnati.

Figures in parentheses are 1974 all-games and, league records.

LEGENDS: Y-Yards Gained; C-Pass Completions; R-Pass Receptions, Touchdowns.

BIG TEN

MICHIGAN (10-1, 7-1) Bo Schembechler's offense has never been anemic. Last year, it was fifth nationally in rushing and 14th overall. But the basic ingredient of Michigan's phenomenal success has been defense, in keeping with Bo's coaching philosophy.

The Wolverines were first in the NCAA last season against scoring (6.8 points per game average), second against rushing (1163 yards) and third overall (2353 yards). It's an annual occurrence.

Six of Michigan's regulars graduated, but the feeling at Ann Arbor is that the defense can be better in 1975. "Our defense has looked really good," said the always-restrained Schembechler last spring.

Four of the five returnees were all-Big 10, the replacements have proven ability and depth is there—not counting help from a strong freshman crop.

The offense calls for even more rebuilding, however, and the coach wasn't satisfied with spring progress. "Our offense has not been good," he fretted. "At no time have they moved the ball consistently."

He did note that more than 20 players had missed parts of practice in an unusual rash of injuries.

Schembechler must replace seven starters and no void is greater than at quarterback, where Dennis Franklin operated in all-Big 10 style for three years.

Mark Elzinga, a 6-3, 195 junior, is the heir apparent. He completed five of the 21 passes he threw in brief relief chances last season and gained 97 yards in 20 call-carrying trips.

He didn't have a good spring, being handicapped

by injury, but has a powerful arm, is a strong runner and rates as a great athlete.

Schembechler won't pass the ball if he has the ground force he likes, but Elzinga might mean a few more footballs in the air this fall. He came to Michigan primarily as a passer.

Another hint: Jim Smith, 6-3, 200 junior considered potentially the best receiver Schembechler has had, was switched from split end to wingback in the spring. This also brings another first-rate catcher, Keith Johnson, into the lineup as his replacement. Smith grabbed 21 throws for 392 yards last fall.

But rushing won't fall into discard. Not with the devastating 1-2 combination of Gordon Bell and Rob Lytle at tailback and two of the nation's most sought-after high school stars, Russell Davis and Harlon Huckleby, joining the ranks.

The blazing Bell amassed 1048 yards as a junior, only the third time a Wolverine has topped 1000, and Lytle, a 6-1, 190-pounder who ran a 6.2 in the Big 10 indoor 60-yard sprint last winter, had 802.

Davis, 6-2, 215 and a brilliant all-around athlete, and Huckleby, 6-1, 195, were both scholastic All-Americans.

Three sophomores handled fullback in spring practice, with Scott Corbin, 6-1, 225, a back-up to Chuck Heater last season, No. 1, followed by Kevin King, 6-2, 215, and Paul Moore, 6-2, 220. Davis could be stationed at fullback, too.

Two other frosh, Rick Leach, 6-1, 180, and Chip Pederson, 6-5, 210, will back up Elzinga and could be ready to make a real contribution by the Big 10 stretch. Leach is rated a great prospect.

Ahead of all that backfield talent, Schembechler has a rebuilt line that should help the offense get into gear. Steve King (6-5, 245) at tackle and Kirk Lewis (6-3, 240) at guard are established standouts. Jim Czirr (6-3, 220) moves up at center, Bill Dufek (6-4, 255), last year's prize frosh, at tackle and Mark Donahue (6-3, 237) at guard (assuming he's healed from a spring knee injury).

Jim Hall and Walt Downing at tackle and Les Miles at guard are experienced reserves.

George Przygodski (6-3, 215) advances to the first tight end assignment, but will be in competition with three blue chip freshmen, Mark Schmerge (6-3, 220), Tom Seaborn (6-3, 205) and Eugene Johnson (6-4, 215).

Michigan's defensive line would have to be considered the best in the league, because end Dan Jilek (6-3, 210), tackle Jeff Perlinger (6-3, 235) and middle guard Tim Davis (5-10, 210) were all-Big 10 last year.

Greg Morton (6-3, 230) was a starter at the other tackle and Mike Holmes (6-3, 200) was a strong backup at the other end.

Schembechler also has solid interior depth with lettermen John Hennessy, Bob Lang (T), Rick Koschalk and Steve Graves (MG).

Linebackers will be Calvin O'Neal (6-2, 222), a part-time starter last year, and Dave Devich (6-2, 210), who also logged considerable game time. Ex-fullback Jerry Vogeles (6-3, 235) and spring surprise Rex Mackall (6-4, 205) provide support, but here again frosh could figure.

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All-Big 10 Don Dufek returns at the Wolf position, with new secondary cohorts, Jim Bolden, Derek Howard and Dwight Hicks. The latter three have played, but will have to prove themselves. Hicks won the spring award for most promising sophomore-to-be.

Michigan's defensive unit will be all seniors, except for Bolden (Jr.), Howard and Hicks, which is another reason for believing it could be better than '74. It's again not awesome in size, but quick, aggressive and swarmingly determined to maintain tradition.

OHIO STATE (10-2, 7-1)—Since this is his Silver Anniversary year, Woody Hayes should be used to rebuilding Buckeye football teams.

But he's only had one more extensive revamping—in 1970, when a record 16 grads were NFL draftees. The pros only picked 13 this time.

Hayes, who rebounded remarkably from a heart attack in June of 1974, has become coy about predictions overall, but he's willing to go all the way on one point: "We should have a great backfield."

It all starts with the No. 1 man in college football, owner of the Heisman Trophy, two All-America citations and all Big 10 and OSU records, Archie Griffin.

This amazingly strong and durable—actually, amazing, period—5-9, 182 tailback set an NCAA record of 22 straight games of over 100-yards rushing, which has to be one of the more noteworthy performances in football (Southern Cal held him to 75 in the Rose Bowl, snapping the string).

In three years, ambling Archie has netted 4139 yards and added 24 TDs to the Buckeye attack.

The popular Griffin, elected co-captain by his teammates for a second straight year, showed in the spring how he plans to meet the so-called "Heisman Jinx" (no junior winner ever repeated): With hard work.

"He worked like a freshman trying to earn a job," Hayes marveled, adding, "so did Brian. They're the two most remarkable kids I've ever known."

He referred to Brian Baschnagel, 6-0, 190 senior wingback whose versatility and talent keep him from becoming lost in Griffin's imposing shadow. He averaged 9.2 yards on 37 carries, mostly reverses, and led pass-catchers with 19 for 224 yards.

Baschnagel made the All-Academic first team and is a potential Rhodes Scholar.

Quarterback Cornelius Greene, a quickfooted 6-0, 170 senior, was second to Griffin in rushing last year, even with pass-play losses, 842 yards to 1695. Hayes still treats passing with extreme caution, but Greene made it an effective part of the offense.

He hit 58 (.597 average) for 939 yards and nine TDs—he also scored nine.

Blockbuster fullback Pete Johnson, 6-1 and 244, didn't have a big year in '74, after spraining his ankle just before the opener. He missed most of spring practice with a neck injury, but should be one of the best in the league, if physically sound. He ran for 320 last year and scored six times.

One of the most improved Buckeyes in the spring was sophomore Bob Robertson, who's smaller than traditional Hayes fullbacks (6-0, 203), but quicker.

Reserve is good, too, with lettermen Woody Roach and soph Jeff Logan backing Griffin; Bob Hyatt understudying Baschnagel; 6-3, 195 Jim Pacenta No. 2 quarterback and Lou Willott joining Robertson at fullback.

Graduation swept the line, except for guard Ted Smith (6-1, 236) and redshirt tackle Scott Dannelley (6-3, 240). Both are candidates for national honors.

Soph Chris Ward (6-4, 274) at the other tackle is already being watched by pro scouts and Lou Pietrini and Garth Cox are lettering backups.

Rick Applegate (6-3, 252) made the switch from tackle to center smoothly in the spring, and sophomore Bill Lukens (6-1, 226) and Ron Ayers (6-4, 229) alternated at the other guard.

Hayes added to his biggest-ever line his fastest ever receiver, Lennie Willis, a JC transfer officially timed at 9.3 in track. He ran two kickoffs back for TD's last year and averaged 13.2 yards on 11 carries from wingback. He'll start at split end.

Solid senior Larry Kain (6-2, 221) will be at tight end and two big high school all-Americans, Jim Moore and Farley Bell, will report this fall.

Ohio State gained 5252 yards and scored 437 points last year. This year's unit can be as good, but it will have to be, because the defense returns only three regulars, tackle Nick Buonamici (6-3, 238), linebacker Ken Kuhn (6-2, 230) and cornerback Tim Fox. All three are outstanding, although Kuhn has been injury-plagued.

The Buckeyes are switching to the five-man line, with last year's impressive freshman tackle, Eddie Beamon (6-2, 245) taking over middle guard. Another sophomore, Ty Harris (6-3, 242) moves in at tackle.

Pat Curto (6-2, 225) and Bob Brudzinski (6-4, 220), last year's understudies, should be able starters at end and Aaron Brown (6-2, 222) could be a super soph at the other linebacker.

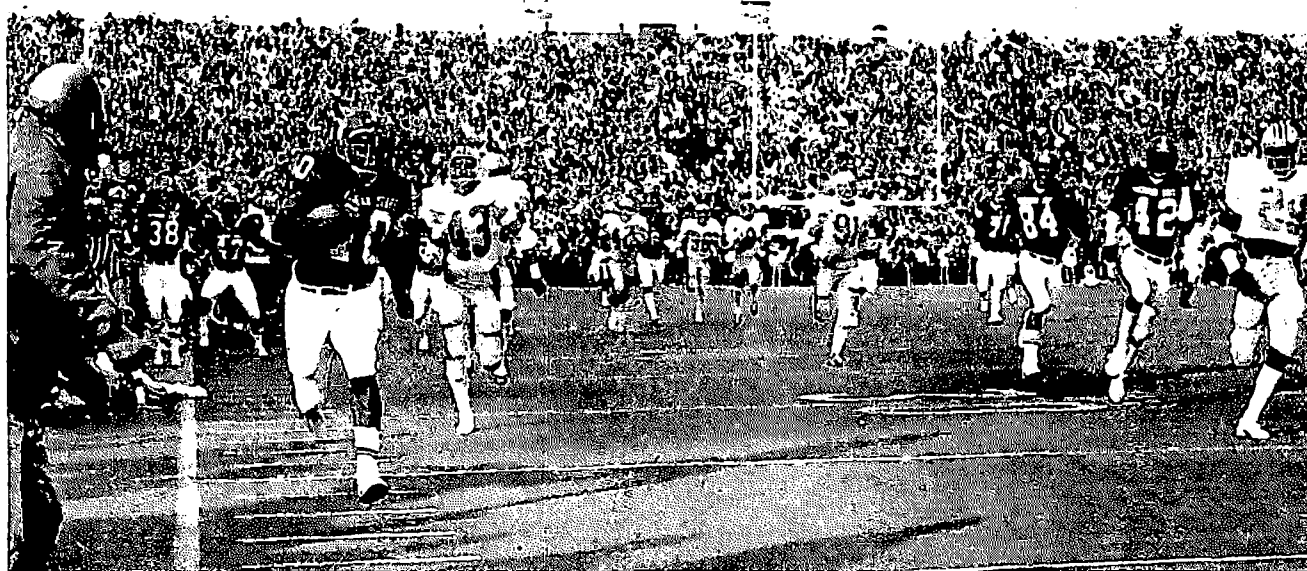
Ed Thompson (6-1, 227) started half the games for injured Kuhn and only Buonamici had more tackles among returnees (83 to 63). Also, the most heralded of the freshmen is Tom Cousineau, a 6-3, 220 high school all-America linebacker.

Joining the brilliant Fox in the secondary will be senior Craig Cassady (son of Heisman winner Hop-along Cassady), part-time safety starter Bruce Ruhl and Ray Griffin, with Jerome Davis and Max Midlam as first-rate support.

Griffin, maybe as fast as Willis, was converted from tailback to safety in the spring and demonstrated the truth of Hayes' contention that "he's not just Archie's brother; he's a great athlete on his own."

Although missing out on running backs, Hayes again recruited a bundle of freshmen talent that should supply depth at least, especially on defense. One highly-touted rookie is Texas quarterback Rod Gerald, looked upon as Greene's successor.

Among Ohio State's assets are two of the finest kickers in the country: Punter Tom Skladany, who averaged 45.6 yards on 31 efforts, and Czechoslovakian refugee Tom Klaban, who placekicked 52 of 53 conversions and nine of 12 field goal tries—including the four that beat Michigan.



MICHIGAN STATE (7-3-1, 6-1-1)—Momentum is one thing the Spartans have going for them, after winning their last five, including a 16-13 stunner over Ohio State. But for a mishandled extra point at Illinois (21-21 tie), it would have been six in a row, a Big 10 co-championship and a Rose Bowl trip.

Michigan State's defense is always physical and usually stubborn and it will be again, but this season, Denny Stolz has the offense he's been trying to achieve for his three years as head coach.

"We've really strengthened that area," he maintains and his rivals are already planning on that.

It all begins with quarterback Charley Baggett, who proved beyond any doubt he'd recovered from a severe knee injury (1973) by running for 748 yards and passing for 965.

"I believe Baggett is the best quarterback in the country," declares Stolz and he'll find considerable agreement.

The 6-foot, 187 senior also demonstrated he can operate a team offense, as well as doing a lot of the work himself. Altogether, he scored 11 TD's, averaging 5.4 per rushing attempt, and passed for 10 (48 completions in 105 launchings).

Running backs are so plentiful, Bill Broadway, an all-state tailback who entered at mid-year, wound up on defense in the spring and sophomore Terry Williams, No. 3 tailback last year, became a flanker.

All-Big 10 fullback Levi Jackson and regular tailback Rich Baes join Baggett for a second year, after contributing 942 and 754 yards respectively.

Jackson averaged 6.2 yards per trip and showed his speed on an 88-yard TD run that sank the Buckeyes.

Baes, originally a walkon, ran for nine TD's and refused to yield to the challenge of two highly-touted challengers, Claude Geiger and Ted Bell, in the spring.

Geiger, 6-3, 183 speedster, gained 127 yards as a freshman, but was especially brilliant in spring scrimmages. Bell, an all-America and Ohio player of the year in high school, missed 1974 with pre-

LEVI JACKSON, Michigan State fullback, is on his way to Ohio State's goal line with an 88-yard dash that enabled MSU to bag 16-13 upset victory in '74. Jackson rushed for 942 yards, and 4 TDs last year.

CHARLIE BAGGETT's '74 figures are outstanding: passed for 965 yards, 10 TDs; ran for 748 yards, 11 TDs, and Michigan St. Coach Denny Stolz looks for more of same in '75, saying Charlie's No. 1.



season knee surgery, but returned for the spring and should be back in form by the fall. If so, the 6-1, 190 Bell will have to be considered.

Jackson is backed up by Jim Earley (6-2, 230), a sophomore; Tyrone Wilson (6-1, 207), a senior, and Joe Malinowski, a transfer from Minnesota. All three looked impressive last spring.

Receiving is a first concern for Stolz, since the 1-2 catchers graduated. The 6-3, 185 Williams is a promising flanker and senior Dane Fortney (5r, 119y as a flanker) successfully switched to split end in the spring. Dave Radelet, a high school standout who decided to try football again, and redshirt soph Ralph Plummer also show potential at the wide spots and letterman Mike Cobb (6-6, 225) is set at tight end.

The offensive line starts with two holdovers, Tony Bruggenthies (6-4, 263) at tackle and Greg Coxton (6-2, 230) at guard. Sophomores Bill Brown (6-5, 250), a tackle, Tim Ruff (6-3, 227), a guard, and Al Pitts (6-5, 240) a center, will move up to complete the interior.

Greg Brewton (6-7, 252) at tackle, Jon Ray (6-3, 235), Ray Spencer (ex-tackle) at guard and Tom Cole at center are experienced help.

The Spartans scored 270 points last season, 175 of them in the last six games.

Stolz does have some rebuilding on defense, particularly in replacing all-Big 10 Terry McClowry (LB) and Jim Taubert (T).

But the unit has solid anchors like all-Big 10 end Otto Smith, tackle Greg Schaum and safety Tom Graves, plus plenty of proven replacements.

Rich Washington (6-4, 207), who sat out spring practice because of knee surgery, probably will team with the 6-3, 202 Smith at end. Smith was second in MSU tackles.

Stolz solved the tackle vacancy opposite the 6-4, 233 Schaum by converting sophomore Larry Bethea (6-6, 240) from tight end. He convinced the coaches in the spring he can not only do the job, but team with Schaum to give the Spartans another titanic tackle twosome.

Two more sophs, Mike Dean (6-4, 207) at end and Jim Thomas (6-5, 250), at tackle, represent strong insurance.

Kim Rowekamp (6-2, 226), No. 3 tackler as a middle guard-linebacker, will be one of the linebackers, along with Pat McClowry (6-3, 210, Terry's twin brother, who was redshirted as a sophomore, and Paul Rudzinski (6-2, 225). The latter is a sophomore, converted from fullback during last season.

John Breslin (6-0, 187), Tom Hannon (6-0, 190) and Mike Imhoff (6-1, 185) join the 6-3, 218 Graves for a second term in the secondary. With a year's experience, this foursome of two juniors and two sophs should be outstanding.

Broadway and letterman Joe Hunt, Dave Duda and Ken Jones are excellent reserves.

WISCONSIN (7-4, 5-3)—If John Jardine can replace Gregg Bohlig at quarterback, the Badgers' offense could pick up where it left off in 1974. Which was a best-ever 4398 yards and 341 points.

All of its runners will resume behind a veteran line that features 6-3, 262 all-America tackle candidate Dennis Lick.

But the big man of the attack is unquestionably 5-8, 188 Billy Marek, who's been Archie Griffin's running mate on the all-Big 10 team for the last two years. He's not a blazer, but he's quick, smart and strong.

Last year, Marek led the nation in scoring with 19 TD's and finished third in rushing with 1215 yards. He scored 13 times in his last three games, while the Badgers were going 3-0, and ended with a 304-yard, 5-TD spree against Minnesota.

Ken Starch, who plunged for 637 yards from fullback, also returns to Jardine's attack, along with understudy Larry Canada (6-1, 227), who gained 356 yards, and Mike Morgan, who subbed for Marek and showed 461 yards. Morgan had a 135-yard game against Indiana.

Senior Dan Kopina held the No. 1 rating at quarterback after spring practice, but the battle will resume in the fall. He has the advantage of experience,



STEVE WAGNER, Badger defensive back, broke up 11 enemy passes for mark.



BILLY MAREK, 5-8, is big man in Wisconsin attack; had 19 TDs in '74.

although completing only two of four passes for 24 yards last year.

Mid-year freshman Tony Dudley, a quick, clever option-type, and redshirt (and JC transfer) Mike Carroll, best of the passers, still figure. Also possibilities are JC grad Dave Hoppmann and 6-1, 208 Charles Green, a freshman with glowing credentials (including 9.7 speed).

Receiving is another question mark, with the top three graduated. To add to Wisconsin's woes, the likely tight end, letterman Ron Egloff (6-4, 232), underwent knee surgery in the spring.

But Randy Rose at split end and Ron Pollard at flanker are experienced and capable and freshman Paul Wasikowski (6-3, 220) could shore up tight end, if Egloff isn't ready. Tom Belter is a letterman at SE and Duane Johnson returns at flanker, after lettering in 1972.

Lick, all-Big 10 last year, and guard Terry Stieve (6-2, 256) form a punishing tandem on the right side of the Wisconsin offensive line. Understandably, a lot of the running plays aim there.

Both underwent knee surgery last fall, but should be OK for '75.

Joe Norwick (6-0, 223) is a returning regular at center and John Reimer (6-3, 276) started the last three games in '74, after Lick was injured. He'll be the other tackle.

Steve Lick (6-1, 235), Dennis' sophomore brother, moved in at left guard during spring drills and may become a standout.

Wisconsin's offense ranked second in the Big 10 in yards and scoring. It was stopped only once, by Ohio State (7 points). The opening game against Michigan should be a supreme test.

The defense stiffened in the last three weeks of '74, but Jardine has five spots to fill—without the three leading tacklers.

Tackle is solid with regulars Bob Czechowicz (6-1, 219) and John Rasmussen (6-3, 292). Czechowicz started as a freshman last fall, until a knee injury and surgery. Andy Michuda (6-2, 239) moved in and did such an outstanding job he may press for a starting assignment.

Veteran talent makes the secondary another strong area, with Terry Buss, Ken Simmons and Steve Wag-

ner all ready to go again. Simmons took over last year for injured Greg Lewis, who also returns.

Wagner is a 6-2, 198-pounder Badger followers believe to be headed for national recognition.

Linebacker, middle guard and end are still to be proven.

Jim Franz (5-11, 220) will be in his second year as a linebacking regular and should be top-notch. Although he didn't start, John Zimmerman (6-1, 234) tied Buss for fourth among Badger tacklers. Franz was fifth. They'll team this fall.

Help is needed from the ranks, or the freshman class, for depth.

Mike Grice (5-11, 220), who lettered as a freshman last fall, moves up at middle guard—the only experienced prospect around.

Three ends graduated, moving lettermen Pat Collins (6-0, 298) and Carl Davis (6-1, 224) into the first unit. Davis missed '74 with knee surgery.

Henry Addy (6-5, 250), one of the most heralded frosh, is listed as an offensive tackle, but could become a factor in the defense—maybe freeing Czechowicz for end or middle guard.

Another Badger asset is the punting of Simmons, who led the Big 10 in 1973.

Wisconsin had an unusual number of surgery cases last fall and during the off season. Relegated to non-contact in spring practice, besides Lick and Strieve, were Czechowicz, Wagner, both with knees, and Frantz with a shoulder.

ILLINOIS (6-4-1, 4-3-1)—Bob Blackman's problem has reversed itself.

Last year, the Illini finished fifth in defense, but eighth in offense. Judged by spring practice and personnel returning, the 1975 offense should be considerably improved, but the defense must prove itself.

Blackman has seven regulars for the offensive unit, plus two backs who figured heavily in his 1974 plans, but were knocked out by knee injury and operations.

Lonnie Perrins, a versatile 6-3, 215-pound senior, recovered sufficiently to play spring ball, but couldn't unseat incumbent tailback Chubby Phillips, a 5-10, 181 speedster who led Illinois' rushing last year with 772 yards.

But Phillips suffered some from overwork and a flashy spring suggested he'll be more effective with some relief help. Besides Perrin, the Illini may have a couple other dangerous tailbacks in Vince Carter, a soph with 9.4 speed who improved rapidly last spring, and a high-rated freshman from California, Ted Smith.

Steady Steve Greene, 6-1, 210 regular fullback in 1972-73, hadn't sufficiently recovered from his early autumn operation to participate in spring work, but is expected back in the fall. An excellent blocker and effective runner, he's a key man in the Illini attack.

Tracy Campbell, 6-3, 200, and Larry Schultz, 6-0, 215, filled the position nobly last season, gaining 424 and 316 yards respectively and both return.

Frank Johnson, a 6-4, 215-pounder who caught a dozen passes for 250 yards and rushed for 137, will again be the swing back, with back-up Mike Sullivan also available.

Quarterback is still to be settled. Senior Jim Ko-

patz, understudy to graduated Jeff Hollenach for two years, was No. 1 after spring practice, but sophomore Kurt Steger could move in before the opener, if he continues to improve.

Kopatz, 6-2, 210, is considered a better runner (175 yards; 21 completions for 250 yards), but Steger, 6-3, 216, a better passer. Steger, who missed the last three games of '74 with an ankle sprain is being tabbed a future great.

Both top receivers are back: 6-6, 220 tight end Joe Smalzer (29r, 525y) and split end Jeff Chrystal (21r, 358y). Blackman also adds John Peach, a 6-2, 192 redshirt with the best speed on the squad.

The line has two holdover starters in tackle Doug Kleber (6-4, 240) and guard Stu Levenick (6-3, 247), a prime pro prospect.

Letterman Phil MacDonald (6-4, 245) or Kevin Smith (6-5, 250) will be the other tackle, with lettermen Willie Gartrell (5-11, 225) and Jerry Finis (6-4, 230) battling soph Gary Jurczyk (6-3, 230) for the other guard assignment.

Center is uncertain, which may represent a problem.

Definitely another asset for the Illini offense is placekicker Dan Beavers, who booted 22 conversions and 10 field goals last year.

Dean March (6-4, 215) at end, John DiFeliciano (6-3, 230) at tackle and Bruce Beaman at halfback are the only 1974 defensive starters returning.

Most of the eight grads had held their positions for two or three years. In fact, Blackman has only 11 lettermen among '75 defenders.

Mike Waller (6-3, 235) is a proven tackle for the spot opposite DiFeliciano, with Walter Graham (6-3, 250) and Rich Grimmett (6-7, 255) considered good back-ups.

At the opposite end from March will be one of the Kogut brothers, either John (6-4, 220) or Jim (6-4, 225). John Norton is a JC transfer who could figure.

All three Illinois linebackers—including the team's 1-2 tacklers—graduated, but John Sullivan (6-2, 220) and Brian Ford (6-2, 218) played enough to letter.

Scott Studwell (6-2, 226), a starting tackle in 1973, out last year with a knee injury, will contest for one of the jobs, along with Rick Williams (6-2, 210), also an injury redshirt last season.

Terry Ormsbee (6-2, 206) is another letterman at the "rover" position, with Rickie Mitchum and Brian Kingsbury still in contention.

Rod Knox is a veteran at halfback and Jim Stauner at safety, with Larry Ferrol, Jim Kirwin and John Yankoschik also at HB and former all-state quarterback Jeff Stewart a candidate a safety.

March and DiFeliciano are considered Illinois' chief candidates for post-season honors. They tied for most tackles for loss in the Big 10 last year.

No team has a tougher stretch run than the Illini. They face Michigan State, Wisconsin, Ohio State and Michigan in a row, which will make another fifth place finish a high target.

PURDUE (4-6-1, 3-5)—Spring practice and particularly the spring squad game did a lot for Alex Agase's morale.

"If we stay healthy, we can be a very respectable

ball club," decided the one-time all-pro guard of the Cleveland Browns. "We're going to have two good first units. Quality depth is one of our goals."

He figures on the 1975 freshmen for that support, since the four open spots on offense and five on defense probably will be filled from the ranks.

Agase is much better off this fall in some respects, not the least being at quarterback. He has an established workman there in junior Mark Vitali.

The 6-4, 195 rookie started the last seven '74 games and became the fourth Boilermaker soph to top 1000-yards passing (Dale Samuels, Len Dawson and Mike Phipps before him). He turned 62 completions (of 145 throws) into 1006-yards, netted 183 (3.6 av.) running and accounted for 15 TD's (seven himself).

Vitali, who had a standout spring, loses his top receiver, speedster Larry Burton, but alternate flankers Reggie Arnold (11r, 187y) and Paul Beery (11r, 152y), split ends Jesse Townsend and Ron Moore, and tight end Nigel Wirgowski (6-4, 225) should keep up the air menace.

Purdue has two first-rate Big 10-style running backs in Scott Dierking (5-10, 210), who led last year with 779 yards (he also caught 10 passes for 186), and Mike Pruitt (6-1, 206), second with 613 (6.0 av.).

Agase thought enough of untried running backs John Skibinski, Dave Oenderson, Rod Wildman and letterman Tim Boykin to switch Ron Northington, a five-game starter at tailback to defense in the spring.

The offensive line is another strong point, with regulars Jeff Stapleton (6-5, 228) at tackle, Tom Gibson (6-2, 227) at guard and Jim Polack (6-3, 228) at center. Connie Zelencik (6-4, 231) moves from tackle (starter) to the open guard and will be replaced by 1973 regular Ken Long (6-3, 255), hurt last season.

"I believe we can move the ball," ventures Agase, whose platoon covered 3904 yards and scored 223 points in '74. Reserve is uncertain, except at tight end, where Tim Eubank (6-7, 215) and Ron Likar (6-4, 232) back up Wirgowski, maybe at quarterback, where Craig Nagel is experienced, and at the running spots.

But Vitali, Dierking and Pruitt are very vital to Purdue's hopes.

Linebacker is a comfortable position for the Boilermakers, with the 1-2 tacklers, Bob Mannella (6-0, 218) and Joe Sullivan (6-4, 226), reporting for a second year as regulars. Mike Burgamy started two games, Dave Guthrie is a proven back-up and Cedric Evans, once a potential starter, returns after a year of knee problems (he looked strong in the spring).

Tower of the defensive line is Ken Novak, 6-7, 274 two-year starter. In fact, he's started 21 of 22 games.

Agile and strong, Novak resented a PR-inspired campaign for all-America recognition last year, stipulating that he wanted to earn it on the field.

"He'll earn it," Agase flatly predicts. Naturally, pro scouts have been watching him for a couple years—favorably.

The other tackle finished spring unsolved, but with two promising prospects: Jon Zwiitt (6-6, 250) and Chris Barr (6-6, 227). Also in the picture are expe-



KEN NOVAK, 6-7, 274, Purdue defensive tackle, has All-America ability.



SCOTT DIERKING gained 779 yards on ground for Boilermakers last year.

rienced Mike Tasso (6-7, 269) and John LeFeber (6-6, 230). The job doesn't lack for size and strength.

Middle guard is fortified with seven-game starter Mark Gorgal (6-2, 212) and four-game starter Roger Ruwe (6-4, 210). Gorgal missed spring drills because of late-season 1974 surgery, but is expected to be full-go.

Lettermen Kim Cripe (6-1, 205) and Blane Smith (6-5, 211) will move up at end, but lack experience.

Pat Harris will resume at one corner position, with Northington at the other, and the safety spots are equally well manned, with Dwight Lewis, Tom Andres and Anthony Thompson available. All three of the latter started games last fall.

Northington played defense in high school, before becoming a freshman ball-carrying standout for the Boilermakers, and spring performances indicate he'll be more than adequate in his new assignment.

Agase's defense should be improved and it can afford to be, since the enemy covered 3914 yards and scored 261—including a dozen TD's by air.

Vitali does the punting (36.2) and placekicker Steve Schmidt (22 of 25 PAT's; 4 of 7 FG's) returns.

The schedule doesn't do Purdue any favors, calling for Notre Dame and Southern Cal on successive weeks and later Ohio State, Michigan State and Michigan in a row.

MINNESOTA (4-7, 2-6)—"We have a bad taste in our mouths after last season," admits Cal Stoll. After an all-out crusade to upset Ohio State in the opener went awry, the Gophers slumped, with the help of an injury epidemic.

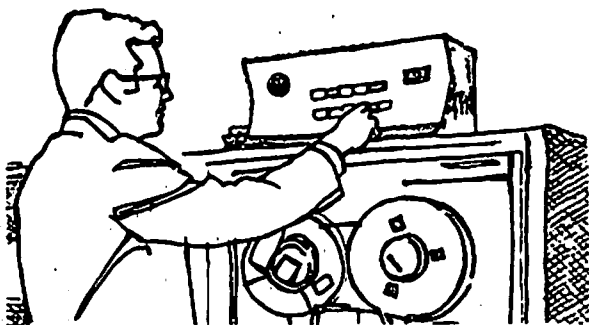
It all added up to a disappointing year and led to some changes. Stoll switched off the Veer to what he calls the "Minnesota multiple pro-style offense."

Quarterback Tony Dungy and his sophomore understudies, Marc Testerman and Steve Olsen, looked much more at home in the spring in this drop-back passing formation than in the roll-out last year.

Dungy, a highly-touted freshman three autumns ago, was handicapped by a bad knee in '74, but managed to rush for 417 yards and pass for 612 (39 of 94). He reinjured the knee in spring drills, but is expected to be OK by fall. Testerman could be a serious bidder for the starting job.

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had a holdover quarterback, which Minnesotans consider a plus. So was the spring development of John Mathews at fullback.

The 6-2, 210 sophomore missed virtually all last year with a broken hand, but came on so strong in the offseason that 6-5, 217 Dexter Pride was switched to running back.

Pride, top returning ballcarrier with 472 yards, and speedy Sam Brady, 5-11, 189 junior who rushed for 330, may more or less alternate this fall, with help from Bubby Holmes and Greg Barlow.

John Jones, 6-2, 205 junior who started last season as regular fullback, will be the fourth back and last year's regular flanker, Vince Fuller (10r, 174y), a split end, or spot player.

The new offense has reasonably good receiving prospects, assuming 6-3, 215 regular tight end Scott Puchtel has mended from knee surgery. He caught 13 for 149 yards last year. In his absence in the spring, Pat Crist (6-4, 224), who missed '74 because of injury, turned in standout performances.

Also much improved was Bill Sims (6-2, 204), the likely split end.

Stoll must replace his center and one guard in the interior line. Art Meadowcroft (6-3, 235) and Greg Shoff (6-4, 251) are the returning tackles, but Shoff was pushed in the spring by sophomore Jeff Morrow (6-4, 240).

Brien Harvey (6-5, 217) will again be one guard, with sophomore Gary Acromite (6-1, 230) or shoff the other. Dave Nolander (6-3, 223), who has logged some game time for three years, will be the center, with strong support from transfer Mark Lindell (6-2, 231).

Minnesota lost three of its last four and Michigan and Wisconsin scored 49 points each, suggesting some cause for concern about the defense.

But Stoll thinks it may be able to hold its own, even losing two fine linebackers in Ollie Bakken and Paul Glanton.

One strength is tackle Keith Simons (6-4, 250), who has started 33 straight games and is always among Gopher tackle leaders. He looked better than ever in the spring.

Stoll notes "I have personally coached several all-Americans and based on performance, Keith is the most decisive candidate for the honor."

On the other side will be sophomore Jim Ronan (6-4, 240), who earned the rating in the spring. Lettermen Mark Slater (6-1, 248) and Fred Loewen (6-3, 254) are also prospects.

The secondary is another solid position, with Doug Beaudoin, George Adzik and Bob Weber returning. Beaudoin ranked with better backs in the conference, but had injury problems last fall. Adzik was one of the standouts in spring drills.

Tommy Ash, Kirby Kukleneki and Orville Gilmore, all lettermen, are candidates for playing time.

Linebacker lists three veterans, Steve Craine (6-1, 217), George Washington (6-1, 215) and Desi Williamson (6-1, 218). All are considered possible starters, but while they were nursing injuries last spring, sophomore Steve Stewart (6-2, 208) and Mark Merrill (6-3, 227) put themselves into the competition.

Merrill was a defensive end who left football, but



DOUG BEAUDOIN is free safety standout in senior year at Minnesota.



KEITH SIMONS started every game for Minnesota at DT the past 3 seasons.

came back after a year and is now stronger.

Jeff Smith (6-3, 203) is an established end and Minnesota got another boost when Ron Wrobel (6-3, 224) recovered sufficiently from knee surgery to take over the other end last spring.

Stoll has gone to a five-man front with a nose guard this year and the first operative there will be Steve Midboe (6-2, 230), a junior who failed to letter last fall as a tackle, but did well in his new assignment last spring.

But the defense definitely must be much better than last year's yield of 4536 yards and 332 points.

Gopher followers were cheered by spring practice. Stoll's squad hit hard and with enthusiasm, maybe determined to prove it's better than last year's record.

INDIANA (1-10, 1-7)—Lee Corso wins the annual enthusiasm championship and this year is no exception. From last in the Big 10 a year ago, he doesn't rule out the possibility of figuring in the run for the California roses.

"I really believe that if we have the correct thinking, we'll be in position where a break or two can get us right in there," he said during spring practice.

If that isn't supported by a cold look at Hoosier prospects, Corso's optimism does seem more justifiable this year.

He has 48 lettermen, 26 of whom started at least two games. From a 1-10 team, the statistic may be dubious, but it does mean experienced personnel at all 22 firstline spots. And he does have some noteworthy talent sprinkled through the ranks.

Halfback Courtney Snyder is one for sure. The 6-foot, 197-pound junior rushed for a new IU record of 1254, good for 11th in the NCAA, and turned in six over-100-yard games.

He trailed only Archie Griffin and Billy Marek among league runners.

Terry Jones took over quarterback early last season and developed into the Big 10's most efficient passer (.572). His 129 completions represented a new school record and his 1347 yards rated third place. He threw for 11 TD's and had only seven of 220 intercepted.

Jones, 5-11, 180 junior, will have both of his favor-

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'You've Got to Have Instinct'

By TERRY P. HOGAN
Staff Reporter of The Wall Street Journal

The voice on the telephone was earnest and enthusiastic. "This weekend I like the New York Giants over Atlanta in the pros," it said. "I give only five or 10 top pro picks a season, and the Giants are a sure bet."

The voice belongs to Huey, co-proprietor of Huey's Enterprises, of Fort Lee, N.J. The Giants are the team that he and his partner, Mike, think are most likely to beat the bookmakers' point spreads in football games this weekend. For much of the past 160 customers pay an average of about \$50 a week during the football season. "It's a nice living," says the 29-year-old Huey.

Huey's lucrative three-year-old business is what's called a sports information service, or "tip sheet." People who know about such things say that there are about 200 of them around the country. Most have been formed in the last five years to capitalize on the growing propensity of Americans to wager on the outcome of college and pro football games and a lesser extent, basketball.

Indeed, those who have made a go of the tip sheet business admit that they base their choices more on hard work than on knowing secrets. Huey, who made a gambling line for a sports newspaper before striking out on his own (Mike handles the business end), says he "occasionally" gets useful tidbits from college students he knows ("Did you know the quarterback is getting along with his girl?") and from a lawyer friend who represents several pro athletes. Customers who follow teams in their own areas usually also are helped from time to time, he adds.

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TERRY JONES of Indiana had 57 per cent passing mark in '77 with TRENT SMOCK one of his prime receivers.

ite targets returning in end Trent Smock, who caught 31 for 549 yards, and flanker Keith Calvin, with 29 for 367. Smock, 6-5, 210 and a member of Indiana's championship basketball squad, and the 5-9, 166 Calvin tied for fourth in the Conference with 19 catches each.

Corso is planning to use less I-formation and more pro-set, split-back offense because he feels he has more running backs. Last year's touted freshmen, Nick Barnes (6-0, 163) and Rick Ennis (6-0, 206), figure prominently.

Both were nagged by injuries in '74, but give Indiana outside speed it hasn't had. Reserves Reggie Holmes (6-0, 197) and Cliff Janiak (6-1, 196) will contest Ennis for the open fullback job. Senior Bob Kramer (6-6, 209) and Dobby Grossman, transfer from South Carolina, back up Jones at quarter and Barnes is behind Snyder.

Return of starter Dave Knowles at tackle, after an early-season knee injury, gives the Hoosiers the biggest line anywhere. He's 6-7, 268.

The other tackle will be Greg McGuire, a 6-4, 290-pounder who runs a 5.3 and has started for three years. Joe Doggett (6-3, 255) and Jim Shuck (6-3, 238) return at guard and center respectively and the other guard probably will be Jim Wersky (6-3, 270).

Kevin Westover (6-2, 213), a three-game starter, and George Edgar (6-4, 220) will be the 1-2 tight ends.

Corso is high on the offense, which covered 3433 yards and scored 166 points in '74, but even more encouraged by the defense, which yielded at least two TD's in 10 of its games.

"You can't win without a solid defense," he contends. "Last year, our defense started to take shape and I think we're going to be a heck of a defensive team."

He's gone back to his original 4-3 alignment, after using a 5-2 last fall, because he has the linebackers to do it.

Craig Brinkman (6-2, 230), who led the Hoosiers in stops as a freshman, and No. 2 tackler Donnie Thomas (6-2, 258) resume and will be joined by 1973 regular Tom Buck (6-3, 220).

Thomas can become a candidate for national rec-

ognition. "I haven't seen a better one in two years," Corso maintains.

Jack Hoffman (6-4, 244), transfer from Xavier who became a starter last season, and end Mike Winslow (6-4, 215) take care of half the front four and there are battle-tested candidates for the other two.

Don Schanz (6-1, 219) started at middle guard, but will be a tackle this fall, along with Russ Comp-ton (6-2, 220).

Carl Smith (6-0, 225) had four starts as a freshman at end last year and probably will get first call opposite Winslow, although Mark Miklozek (6-3, 218) also started four games and Derek Foree (6-1, 205) two. Mark Deming (6-0, 214) and Mike Eikenberry (6-3, 220), both lettermen, add to excellent depth.

The secondary is equally stocked with experience. Harold Waterhouse, Doug Gordon, Kirk Edwards and Mike Watts all started games last year, although Joel Kirby, switching from fullback, might claim one spot.

Willie Wilson, Willie Jones, Greg McIntosh and Dan Zarlingo were in the line-up at various times, but Wilson and Jones are most likely to get the call this season.

Corso recruited what is being hailed as his best-ever class, but he considers it a tip-off to Hoosier strength that the rookies probably will have to settle for backup status. Last year, 13 frosh made the traveling squad.

IOWA (3-8, 2-6)—Bob Commings startled the league last year by winning three of his first seven games as a college head coach (he'd come from Massillon, O. high school) and doing it with a squad that had been 0-11 in 1973 and unanimously consigned to the Big 10 cellar.

But injuries chipped away at the thin defense and the Hawkeyes were routed in the second half in their last four games. They led Michigan State, 21-17, for instance, and lost 60-21.

Whether Commings can come up with a successful encore season depends on how well he fortifies the defense, because the offense might be highly-respectable.

One of the three quarterback candidates will have to deliver and none of them really took charge in the spring. But the attack seems to have everything else.

Doug Reichart, 5-11, 183 junior with limited game experience, probably will start fall drills as No. 1, but Commings insists soph Tom McLaughlin and senior Butch Caldwell, a redshirt last year, are still possible starters.

Caldwell ran and passed for 861 yards in 1973. "I think our quarterback depth will be as good as any team in the Conference," Commings decided. But it still must prove its class.

He has an impressive set of running backs to operate behind a big, powerful line.

Jim Jensen, maybe the biggest tailback in the country at 6-4, 230, led the Hawks last year with 659 yards, right half Rod Wellington (6-1, 218) had 472, fullback Mark Fetter (6-0, 205) 304, fullback Bob Holmes (6-1, 225) 377 and right half Eddie Donovan (6-1, 188) 153.

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ANDRE JACKSON, Iowa defensive standout, had 58 solo tackles in 1974.

JIM JENSEN. 6-4, 230, rushed for 685 yards and one Iowa TD last season.

Donovan and Holmes had what Commings rated great spring practices, as did transfer Dick Shick, another big back (6-1, 194).

Receiving is equally set with starters Bill Schultz at split end, where he caught 25 passes for 432 yards, and Brandt Yocom, with 18 receptions for 248 yards, at tight end.

Rod Walters, 6-3, 260 tackle, and Joe Devlin, 6-5, 270 guard, play side-by-side and should be among the best in the conference. Ed Myers (5-11, 220) and Jim Hilgenberg (6-2, 216) looked exceptional in the spring at center and Warren Peiffer (6-5, 260) should be the other tackle, if he's mended from knee surgery.

Letterman Dave Butler (6-3, 246) completes the first offensive line, with holdover Gary Lidick (6-2, 245) as added tackle strength.

Natural improvement and familiarity with Commings system would indicate a more potent Hawkeye attack, provided an adequate replacement develops for graduated Rob Fick at the vital quarterback station.

Iowa's recruiting was aimed at beefing up the defensive ranks and Commings believes he enrolled some definite help. But how much and how soon is the question.

Spring practice didn't go a long way toward solving the problem. If other areas matched the defensive backfield, the Hawks would rate higher. Bob Elliott, Jim Caldwell and Shanty Burks return from a unit that led the nation in pass defense last fall.

Rick Penney, one of the Big 10's better backs in 1973, will fill the one open spot, after sitting out '74 with a bad knee. Roger Stech and mid-year freshman Charlie Danzy rate as solid support.

Elliott and Caldwell have switched from safety to cornerback and Burks and Penney from corner to safety, a move Commings feels will make the Hawk secondary even tougher.

Andre Jackson, 6-1, 230 senior who was second in tackles last year, starts his fourth year as a regular linebacker and probably will have senior John Campbell (510, 195) as his new partner. But the po-

sition needs additional strength.

Injuries slowed the springtime line rebuilding and the evaluation was further hampered by the absence of the most likely starting tackles, Lester Washington (6-3, 240) and Steve Wojan (6-5, 230). Both had knee surgery last fall.

Also figuring are veterans like Dave Bryant (6-0, 227), at guard, Tyrone Dye (6-5, 250), at tackle, Dave Wagner (6-2, 209) and Mark Phillips (6-5, 225) at the ends.

Sophomores who could move in include Bill Itschner (6-1, 252) and Mike Sambo (6-1, 245) at tackle, Barry Tomasetti (6-3, 220) at end and Kevin Tomasko (6-2, 218) at middle guard.

The Iowa schedule isn't quite as brutal as the one Commings faced last fall, but it still calls for Penn State, Southern Cal and Ohio State in a row. And the surprise element may be dissipated, after the way the Hawkeyes started last season.

NORTHWESTERN (3-8, 2-6)—This will be Johnny Pont's first year with a quarterback problem—but it's not his only problem.

Mitch Anderson, who led the Big 10 in passing for two years and finished third last fall, so monopolized the position that his understudies, Kim Girkins and Steve Moor, played a total of only 61 and 36 minutes, respectively, in two years.

The 6-3, 189 Girkins led the Wildcats to an upset of Illinois in the 1973 finale, but was knocked out of 1974 in the second game. The 6-3, 195 Moor started against Nebraska last fall, but completed only 5 of 20 passes for the season.

To complicate matters, Girkins missed spring practice, because he was the pitcher on the NU baseball team—and understandably a strong-armed passer in football. Moor was his catcher.

Then, Joe Puleo, who led the Wildcat JV's last fall, broke an ankle in the first week of spring drills, leaving Pont with two of his five quarterbacking hopefuls, Randy Dean and Tom Oetinger.

But Pont bravely insisted, "we have four candidates who possess good athletic skills, so the situation will be resolved."

He suggests the Wildcats will go more for a running attack, for two reasons: The runners are available and possession ball can help relieve pressure on the defense.

When Greg Boykin was injured last season, 5-11, 195 Jim Pooler took over tailback and rushed for 949 yards, second-best in the school's history. He made the All-Big 10 second team.

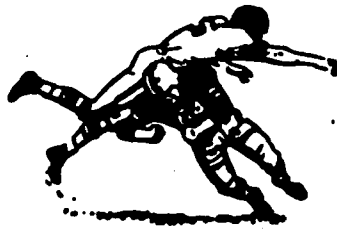
Pooler returns and so does Boykin, giving Pont excellent class at the position. The 6-0, 215 Boykin, second team all-Big 10 as a freshman, missed all of '74 with a cracked leg bone, but looked back in his old form last spring. That prompted Pont to switch to more I-formation, getting both Pooler and Boykin in the same backfield.

Letterman Richard Boothe (6-3, 205) probably will fill the open fullback spot, after rushing 375 yards and catching 11 passes for 109 yards as a backup, Bill Geegan is a letterman.

Pont can hardly afford to scorn the pass, with the Big 10's receiving champion, tight end Scott Yelving-

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ton, returning. The 6-3, 215 junior grabbed 37 for 417 yards in all games, while flanker Wayne Fredrickson had 14 for 219 and split ends Pat McNamara (6-2, 205) nine for 175 and Mike Darraugh (6-3, 190) nine for 142.

Bad luck struck Northwestern's offensive line in the spring when tackle Jim Foskett (6-3, 221) underwent knee surgery for a non-football injury and will undoubtedly be lost for this fall.

Only other experienced tackle available is Dick Dembowski (6-2, 237), who'll start at the right side. Carl Peterson, a tackle letterman, had been switched to guard, but may return.

Ron Kuceyeski (6-2, 237) at guard thus becomes NU's only regular, although DeWayne Shambley (6-1, 225) at the other guard was a part-time starter.

Center will be handled by two-year reserve Paul Jasinskis (6-2, 232), with sophomores Chuck Rogers (6-3, 210) and Doug Houck (6-4, 225) challenging.

Another Pont objective for '75 is to stabilize the defense and statistics attest it can use that. It was 10th in the Big 10 against scoring and ninth in total defense.

Injuries helped keep the unit under stress, with eight different players starting in the secondary and three different players at middle guard.

Welcome additions this fall will be Paul Maly (5-10, 213), a standout middle guard before he broke a foot early last year, and Pete Shaw, equally rated at safety when a knee injury sidelined him.

Maly will duel returning starter Randy Kuceyeski (6-1, 205) for the spot between regular tackles Doc Holliday (6-3, 227) and Marty Szostak (6-5, 230). Either way, the mid-line is solid.

End and linebacker aren't so well set. The graduates were 1-2-3-4 in tackles last season. Lettermen Gary Ogden (6-2, 215) and Terry Brantley (6-5, 215) are most likely at the ends, Al Benz (6-2, 210) and Greg Stanley (6-3, 230) at the backer jobs.

Shaw will move into the backfield with regulars Mark Harlow, Steve Scardina and Rob Dean. Fourth starter, Malcolm Hunter, returns to his original split end duties (if a shoulder operation in the spring is healed).

Northwestern gave up 385 points and 4896 yards last year, even though it won three games (one by two points, one by three). Obviously, it will have to improve to avoid a slip in the standings and it's doubtful, especially since the offense doesn't have an established field leader.

Pont gets one break. He doesn't face Ohio State this year.

INDEPENDENTS

NOTRE DAME (10-2)—And Dan Devine thought he had a rebuilding job at Green Bay?

Ara Parseghian, who retired with a 95-17-4 record at South Bend, left him 35 lettermen, but only two of them regulars on offense and six on defense. That's from a 10-2 team, which is better than inheriting remnants of a 2-10 army.

But the talent lode at Notre Dame may not be quite as rich as generally believed, at least so far as the offensive overhaul is concerned.

Devine isn't changing things drastically, noting



JIM POOLER, Northwestern tailback, scampers into the end zone against Indiana for one of nine season touchdowns.

"basically, I have used the wing-T. I prefer an offense that is quarterback oriented."

Right there is his first problem.

Tom Clements, who started for three years, graduated, leaving only one possible successor with any appreciable experience, Frank Allocco.

But the 6-1, 182 senior, who completed seven of his 11 passes for 72 yards and ran for 36, separated his right shoulder in a spring scrimmage and underwent surgery. He's still listed as most likely No. 1 this fall, but it depends on how the throwing arm snaps back.

Dick Slager, a non-lettering senior, and Joe Montana, a 6-2, 188 sophomore, are the next in line. The position is still very much up for grabs.

All of the other backfield jobs are open, too, although senior Art Best, 6-1, 200-pounder who is tops among returning rushers with 241 yards, is solid at fullback and Al Hunter probably would be one halfback, if returned to eligibility.

Lettermen Mark McLane (207 yards), Russ Kornman (99), Jim Wiler (133), Terry Eurick (131) and Ron Goodman (144) are all in the scramble for ball-carrying assignments, maybe in that order. Tom Parise (207 yards) backs up Best at fullback.

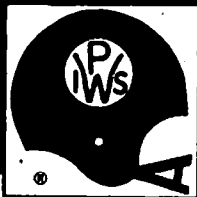
Jerome Heavns, a halfback, and Tom Domin, a fullback, are incoming freshmen with lavish credentials. They could figure as they gain experience.

Devine had other bad luck. He should have had the two most awesome tight ends in college football in 6-4, 240 Ken MacAfee and 6-5, 235 Robin Weber.

But Weber has been forced to abandon football because of a neck nerve injury. MacAfee, a super catcher with fine speed, is OK and ready to start. He grabbed 14 passes for 146 yards, after replacing Weber in mid-year (Weber was hurt).

The pro scouts can't wait for MacAfee, but he's only a sophomore, obviously with a bright future.

Sophomore Ted Burgmeier, a defensive back last year and a QB candidate at one point, switched to split end in the spring and may have claimed the



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JIM STOCK, Irish DE, made 19 tackles for 120 yds. in opposition losses.

ART BEST, 200-lb. full-back, key to Notre Dame's ground game for 1975.

assignment. Letterman Kevin Doherty is still in contention.

But they're replacing all-America Pete Demmerle.

Devine's interior line rebuilding starts with one regular, guard Al Wujciak (6-2, 228).

Steve Quehl (6-4, 245), a 1973 tackle starter who missed last year with an injury, solves the center concern, with strong backing by letterman Vince Klees (6-4, 228).

Ed Bauer (6-3, 249), who had 60 minutes of playing time, moves up at tackle and two sophomores, Harry Woebkenberg (6-3, 249) and Steve McDaniels (6-6, 260), will battle for the other.

Ernie Hughes (6-2, 228), a converted defensive end, became Wujciak's guard partner in the spring, with lettermen Elton Moore and Cal Balliet also available.

If the banished six are welcomed back, Notre Dame's defense should be good enough to carry the burden until the offense gets into gear.

Graduation losses hit the unit hard, but Devine has exceptional anchors in tackle Steve Niehaus and end Jim Stock, plus high-potential in linebacker Tom Eastman.

Niehaus, 6-5 and 260, was third high among Irish tacklers last season from defensive end. He switched back to his more favorable tackle spot last spring and looked so good some pro scouts believe he could be the NFL's No. 1 pick.

Stock (6-3, 217) developed into an exceptional end last year and spring practice indicated a big senior season. If readmitted to school, Ross Browner would be the other end and Willie Fry a strong backup at either side.

Browner, a super-quick end, was a regular as a freshman (1973) and seemed on his way to an All-America career.

Jeff Weston (6-3, 245), who played well in late stages of '74, will pair with Niehaus at tackle.

Eastman (6-1, 235) became a starter in midseason and will be joined by two more members of that talent-rich sophomore class, Doug Becker (6-0, 220) and Pete Johnson (6-4, 220), with lettermen Tony Novakoff (5-11, 203) a solid replacement.

Luther Bradley was a brilliant strong safety when dismissed and would take over, if available, with regular John Dubenetsky moving to cornerback. Randy Payne and Randy Harrison are the other Irish regulars and Bob Zanot a steady backup.

Devine quickly proved he'd lost none of his recruiting touch while away with the pros. He came up with what is considered an outstanding freshman class, which may take care of that depth problem.

The Irish get one schedule break: They meet their two toughies, Michigan State and Southern Cal, at South Bend.

CINCINNATI (7-4)—Tony Mason has 10 regulars on defense, eight on offense among 42 lettermen, suggesting continued upsurge.

Leading defensive unit and boomed for honors are LB Clarence Sanders (6-4, 223), first in tackles last year, and SS Tom Marvaso (6-1, 195), who led in kick-off returns (8th nationally) and punts, plus interceptions.

Others who started, or alternated, were Bill Fowler and Hainer Steffan (E), Dwight Wilkins (LB), Paul Hunter (T), Doug Tabor (MG), Dana Bible, Lou West, Wentford Gaines and Steve Wunder (DB). Dave Miller (6-6, 220) is the probable other tackle (only graduation vacancy).

The Bearcats yielded an average of only 139 yards a game by rushing.

Mason has an established QB in Henry Miller (61c, 796y), who scored nine TD's and threw for six. FB Tom Liggins (409y), slowed by injury last year, supplies power, but more running is needed. FL Harold Lee (5r, 105y) also returns.

The offensive line is solidly tied to impressive veterans, 6-4, 260 Ralph Myers and 6-3, 234 Ed Jones (T), with support from other regulars Jimmy Kelly (SE, 25r, 345y), Joe Garofolo, Carl DeWalt and Mike Clark (G).

DAYTON (3-8)—Ron Marciniak's pass offense was 11th in the NCAA last year and he plans to keep on putting the ball in the air, even though his quarterback graduated.

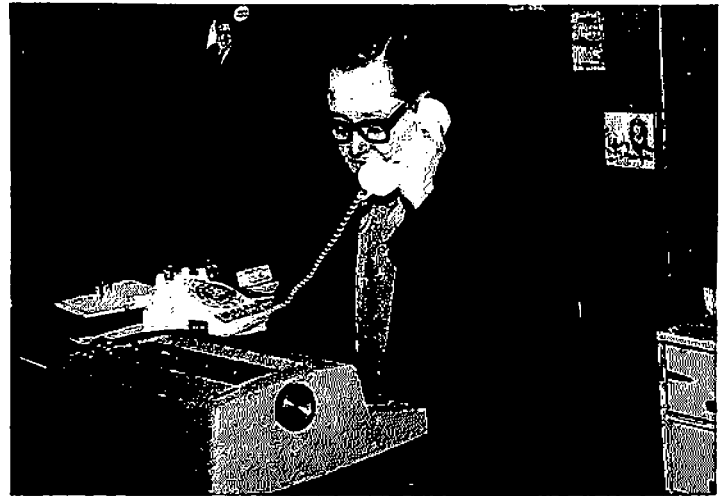
He enrolled another with great potential, 6-4, 190 Bill Nauman, who gained over 3000 in high school and threw 25 TD strikes. He's a transfer from Purdue (where Alex Agase had switched him to split end).

The Flyers' 1-2 catchers, Jim Snow (26r, 396y) and Kelvin Kirk (24r, 461y), should help Nauman, who sprints the 40 in 4.7 and is a triple-option operator. Tom Westbeld, Brian Baldwin (TE) and 6-5 basketball Jim Testerman beef up the receiving.

Marciniak wants more ground support and has three returnees, Mike Watterson (280y), Kevin Conley (249y) and Mark Zimmerman (209y), plus JC transfers Roger Dixon and Larry Allen, to carry the ball and veteran line headed by Ted Thomas (G).

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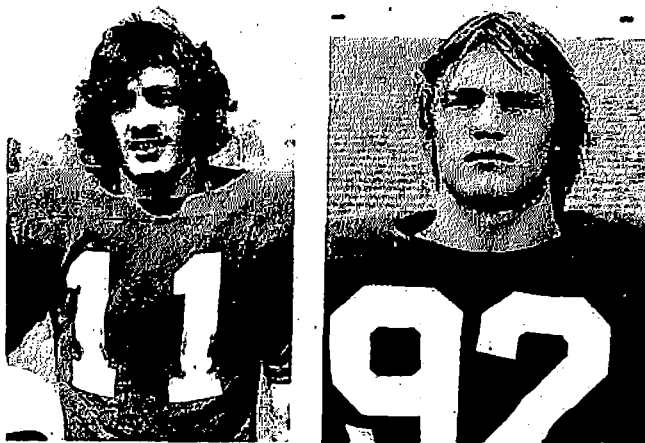
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ED SKOWNESKI, Wayne State QB, passes mile mark in total offense in '75; TERRY RUSIN is intercept champ.

Top two tacklers, Ron Dundala (LB) and Roy Gordon (DB), lead the defense, which also includes regulars Gary Phillips (T), Murphy Frazier (MG), Marvin Johnson (DB), Bruce Ragon and Mark Edwards (LB).

WESTERN ILLINOIS (7-3)—Brodie Westen must rebuild offense, but has mainspring in QB Paul Bowens (52% passer last year) and excellent help in TB Bobby Hardig (4.5 speed) and FB Alvin Brown (6-3, 215), a high school all-America who averaged over 4.0 yards per try.

Leathernecks better off on defense, where eight regulars resume. Jim Scruggs, Lester Smith (T) and Lew Harris (E) are standouts, joined by Joe Byrne (LB) and experienced secondary of Greg Lee, Lonnie Love, Dennis Snyder and George Rock.

Westen expects solid help from 15 high school and seven JC recruits.

WAYNE STATE (7-3)—Dick Lawry has 17 starters, including QB Ed Skowneski, who led slot-I offense to 13 school records. Latter topped rushers (637y), but will get more help from Bob Rogers (551y), Ron Marable (6-1, 210), Mike Stankovich (6-2, 215), Mike Cahill and Paul Lulek. Line lists returnees Mike Eggleston (TE), Guy Kebbe, Pat Carmody (T), Bill Oswald (G) and John Sokolosky (C).

Terry Rusin, NCAA Division II interception champ (10), heads defense, along with regulars Jerry Sharon, Gerald Meginity (LB), Tom Hurley, Vic Verecke (E), Jim Wiebeck and Jon Zimmer (T).

INDIANA STATE (5-5)—Sycamores may go major college next year, but Tom Harp has major running back now in Vincent Allen (1221y), second team AP all-America (Division II). He's had 14 straight 100-yard games.

Greg Washington (39c, 563y) and Mike Sotak, injured last year, are 1-2 QB punch, 6-2, 220 FB Mel Burks adds power and SE Rick Carr (22r, 435y) receiving. Ron Carpenter (C), Chris Hicks and Doug Miller (T) are hubs of experienced line.

Harp's defense has four line holdovers, Jim Myers,

Mike Sharkey, Bob Radzis and Pat Teehey, and an intact secondary of Larry Brumfield, Stan Gerard and Jim Piepenbrink, but other spots must be filled—and unit was a bit generous last year.

AKRON (5-5)—Jim Dennison's offense is no concern. He needs to replace only a center and senior John Simon (6-1, 220) will do that.

QB Tom Kott (73c, 109y, 94y rushing) and FB Tom Wilhelm (680y) stand out. The latter (6-2, 210) is a Little all-American candidate, along with Paul Dorando (G, 6-3, 245).

HB's Billy Mills (662y) and Greg Thurman (429y) complete the backfield and Rick Brown (6-4, 250), Jeff Kulmala (6-5, 240), Mark Van Horn (6-3, 230), Chris Angleoff (6-3, 220) and SE Ron Fuller the line.

Defensively, only Mark Fowler (E) returns in the line, but Steve Cockerham and Banks Johnson (LB's), 1-2 tacklers; Jim Heyworth, Aaron Suber, Cheo Akili and Charles Parnell (DB's) form a solid anchor.

ILLINOIS STATE (6-5)—Gerry Hart rebuilding in final year in NCAA Division II, with only seven starters available. Top rusher, Larry Spinks (888y), Pete Mroz (T, 6-3, 240) and Cal Harper (TE, 6-7, 261) return on offense. Punter Jim Olivieri and Bob Lopez head QB candidates.

PK Bruce Hoefnagel (20 PAT, 14FG) can be offensive weapon.

Redbirds' defense will be anchored around Bill Davey (T, 6-2, 240), a potential pro draft, Clyde Wisk (MG), Rick Spain (E) and Estus Hood (CB).

MID-AMERICAN

MIAMI (10-0-1, 5-0)—The school has gone 32 years without a losing season and Dick Crum's second term won't break the pattern. Matching last year's 10th place in the polls will be difficult, with Michigan State and Purdue on the early schedule, but a third straight MAC title may be more attainable.

The offense could be better, with the three top rushers returning. Randy Walker, who moves to wingback, led with 873 yards; 6-4, 205 option quarterback Sherman Smith had 711 and 6-0, 210 Rob Carpenter, who switches to tailback, 656 and 13 TD's.

Smith accounted for 11 TD's, but completed only 22 passes for 218 yards and the two leading receivers graduated. But Mike Rhodes is promising at wide receiver and 6-3, 218 tight end Ricky Taylor (10r, 160y) returns, backed by 6-3, 215 Gary Quoinso.

Jerry Dean (6-2, 200) will move up at fullback, with help from transfer Tom Zwyer (6-2, 215).

Crum rebuilds the line around center Mike Domenico (6-1, 210) and tackle Chuck Benjamin (6-3, 230). Mike Watson (6-6, 265) transfers from guard to tackle, Mike Felton (6-3, 225) and Norm Trowbridge (6-1, 234) will be the guards. Randy Gunlock (6-2, 215) is a strong backup center.

The Redskins' defense needed more shoring up and may not be up to those early tests. Losing two-year MAC "Defensive Player of the Year" Brad

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But Crum has solid returnees in tackles Jim Feucht (6-2, 235) and Jeff Kelley (5-11, 205), Bill Wiggins (6-0, 195) at linebacker and Pete Rome and Ron Zook in the secondary.

John Glowick (6-0, 200) takes over at middle guard, Mark Hatgas (5-11, 200) and Steve Kramer (6-1, 205) at linebacker, Mel Edwards (6-190) and Carl Wintzer (6-5, 225) at end and Pat McDermott joins the deep backs. All are lettermen with good prospects of being able regulars.

Miami's defense, always rugged, was fourth in the NCAA last year in total defense and defense against scoring.

KENT STATE (7-4, 2-3)—Don James left successor Dennis Fitzgerald a well-stocked program, with 33 lettermen, seven starters on offense, seven on defense and five All-MAC choices.

A primary asset is quarterback Greg Kokal (6-1, 180), who's thrown for 3833 yards in three years as a regular. He holds 22 school records and could be among the country's better field leaders.

Kokal, an effective rollout passer, hit for 85 last season for 1265 yards and 10 TD. He'll have his 2-3-4 receivers back in Willie Davis (17r, 259y), Carlos Cato (12-141) and Kim Featsent (11-135).

The ground attack lost its big gun, Larry Poole, but speedy Dan Watkins (501y, 5.1 av.) at tailback and strong Darwin Ashley (340y) and Mike Mauer (207y) at fullback should maintain the threat.

Guard Larry Wiggins (6-0, 250), All-MAC, and tackle Bob Adair (6-5, 230) are returning starters in the line, with vets Paul O'Sickey (C), Dan Blakley (G) and Terry Pirman (T) filling the graduation-vacated positions.

The Flashes gained 3988 yards and scored 254 points in '74, but may have to struggle to match that.

Strength of Fitzgerald's defense is the front four of Larry Faulk (6-3, 240), All-MAC and honorable mention All-America; Walt Vrabel (6-4, 265), three-year all-MAC; Chuck Celek (6-5, 230) and Glenn Deadmond (6-2, 260).

Cedric Brown, All-MAC safetyman, and two other holdover regulars, Larry Blackman and Jim Vance give the secondary a solid anchor, but Marvin Elliott is the only linebacking starter. Larry Whiting and Jeff Wood, lettermen, will beef up the position.

BOWLING GREEN (6-4-1, 2-3) Don Nehlen gave the school its 19th winning season in the last 20 and should make it 20 of 21.

The offense has the nation's No. 5 groundgainer and No. 5 scorer in tailback Dave Preston, a 6-0, 192 junior who averaged 152 yards for his last five 1974 games and had eight over 100.

Only one sophomore ever gained more than his 1414 yards, according to the NCAA (OSU's Archie Griffin had 1444). He scored 19 times and wound up with seven MAC records.

For the first time in seven years, Nehlen heads into a season with an established quarterback. Mark Miller took over in the fourth game and completed half of his 134 passes for 725 yards—as a freshmen.

Other potent Falcon weapons are fullback Dan Saleet, 6-2, 213 junior who gained 279 yards (5.0 average), and wingback John Boles, who led the league in receiving with 25 for 291 yards.

Back-up quarterback Mike Booth was tried as a split end in the spring and did so well he'll stay there, plus doing his QB chores.

Tackle Gene Jones (6-4, 264) and center Steve Studer (6-0, 240) were second team All-MAC last year, and Mark Conklin was a starter at guard.

Also a factor in the BG offense is placekicker Don Taylor, who has an MAC record 25 field goals, nine of them in a row last fall.

The defense features the four sack artists, Ron Nickey (6-2, 213) and Bill Whidden (6-2, 218) at ends, Corey Cunningham (6-1, 235) at tackle and second team All-MAC Dave Brown (5-10, 203) at middle guard. All four were among league leaders in throwing enemy runners for losses.

Art Thompson, 5-9, 175 second-team All-MAC safety, and regular cornerbacks Sherrill Jackson and Tom Moriarty return in the secondary.

CENTRAL MICHIGAN (12-1)—Roy Kramer takes his NCAA Division II champions into the major school category minus 17 seniors who helped make 1974 the school's best ever.

But the Chippewas have a solid nucleus around which Kramer should build a team that will compete successfully in the MAC. They were 3-1 against major teams last fall.

The mighty rushing duo of Dick Dunham and Walt Hodges returns, virtually assuring a ground attack. Last year, the 5-11, 190 Hodges accumulated 1593 yards at tailback and the 6-3, 205 Dunham 999 at upback. They scored 13 and 18 TD's respectively as CMU punished foes for 5438 yards and 450 points.

Little All-America quarterback Mike Franckowiak graduated, leaving the job up for grabs. Ron Rummel occupied No. 1 in the spring, although Greg Drypen had slightly more experience. Both are sophomores.

Moses Rison, who gained 276 yards as a tailback, moves to the swing back, competing with letterman Paul Fleszar.

Center Wes Gamble (6-0, 220) ranks high and the line lists two other regulars, guard John Kloc (6-2, 215) and tackle Mike Szymarek (6-3, 225).

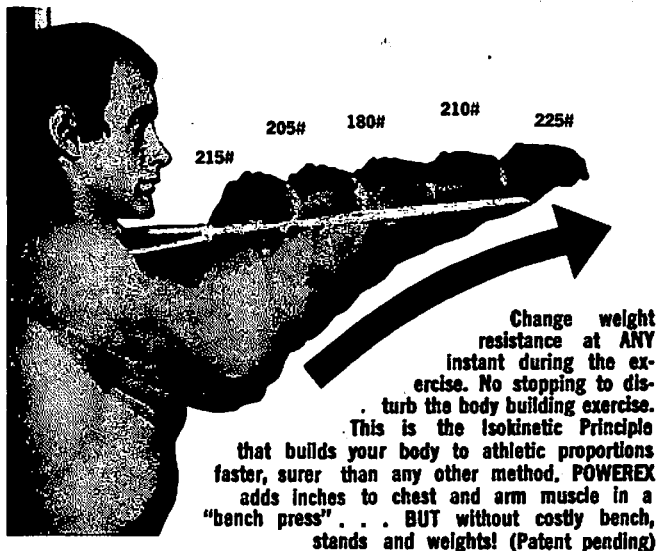
The receiving corps will be untried, with John Fossen at the split end and Wayne Schwalbach (6-3, 210) at tight end.

The Chippewas' defense has seven starters back from a unit that held 13 foes to only 127 points and 1754 yards rushing.

Monsterman Jim Jones (6-2, 175) is considered all-star calibre; tackle John Neuman (6-4, 245) is equally high-rated, and linebackers Joe Siersenga (6-0, 190) and Bill Schmidt (5-10, 190) were stand-outs in the NCAA play-offs.

TOLEDO (6-5, 3-2)—Jack Murphy has the league's most enjoyable situation, in at least one respect. He has one of the nation's leading quarterbacks returning to anchor an offense around.

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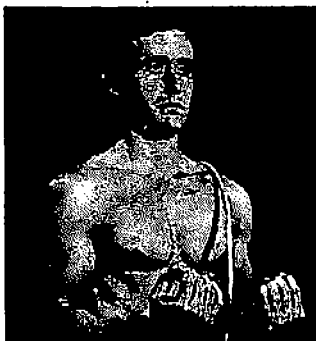
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In his career, Swick has collected 5368 yards and passed or ran on 1089 plays. Both totals are within striking range of NCAA records, if Murphy can muster enough help.

The three top receivers graduated, forcing Murphy to switch Tozere Franklin (6-1, 210) from defensive end and Scott Resseguie (6-5, 185) from safety. Both had experience at end in high school.

Jeff Hepinstall is the third prospect, since he was a high school quarterback who played some wide receiver last fall.

Keith Young (6-1, 242), a first-team All-MAC guard, and his running mate, Matt Lindsay, and center Dan Brown give the mid-line a solid anchor, but Mike Manthey is the only experienced tackle.

Kurt Ohlman (6-2, 228) was second-leading groundgainer at fullback last year (384y) and Jim Zimmerman and Jim Cameron are experienced ball-carriers.

Larry Macek, Pete Ansted (6-4, 233) and Lenny Miller are defensive line regulars; Joe Conroy returns at linebacker and Pat Cotter and Ed DeBarr in the secondary.

OHIO U. (6-5, 3-2)—Bill Hess' 18th season can be happier, if Rick Lilienthal handles quarterback as well as he did last spring.

He made the switch from wide receiver (22r, 315y, tops for the team) so smoothly he edged three holdover candidates for No. 1. But Lilienthal had been a QB in high school and as a Bobcat freshman.

Soph Arnold Welcher came on strong in the spring to challenge No. 3 rusher Dave Houseton (637y), easing that problem.

Hess considers the offensive line a strong point, with All-MAC first teamer Ed Madison (6-2, 240); Jeff Pisching, Bob Barrow, Dave Miller, Joe Kopeck and Jim Bollman all experienced and able.

Chuck Barrington (149y) picks up where he left off late last year at fullback, with backing by Neil Carlson and Frank Bohanan (118y), and swift Phil Buckner will be the flanker.

Mike Green (16r, 221y) becomes the chief pass target, with Lilienthal moved. Incidentally, Green also doubles as a punter (36.2 av.).

The Bobcat defense lists seven starters from a unit that gave up 211 points.

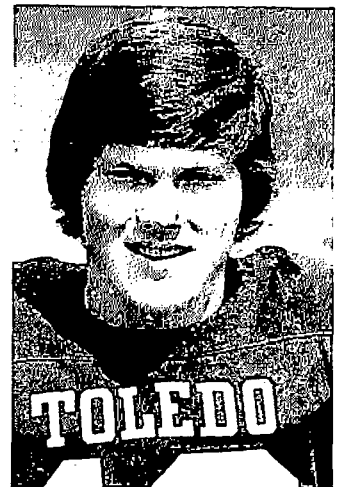
Linebacking is excellent, with MVP Roger Koepfle, the team's leading tackler last year with 199 hits, Greg Lockett, switched from defensive end, and soph Kevin Axe.

Wally Sonnie, who has 114 tackles, and Steve Miller man the flanks and Hess expects stout play from interior veterans Bob Willis, Rod Day, Mike DeLucca, Ted Librizzi and Ed DeMore.

John Summers and Lyle Govert, two sophs, won



BRUCE HOENAGEL had 62 points (FGs, PATs) for Illinois State in '74.



GENE SWICK, Toledo's one-man gang, made 62 per cent of passes last year.

backfield jobs in the spring and Joe Mohler and Les Kimbrough may be the other starters.

BALL STATE (6-4)—Dave McClain guided his team to the best season in his five years and the best at the school in seven as a springboard to active MAC membership.

The Cardinals won five of their last six starts, but McClain faces some problems with the graduation of his star runner, Dave Blake (1125 yards), quarterback Rick Scott, the top receivers and several key linemen.

He gets one break. Quarterback will be handled by Art Yaroch, who started the first five games last year, before suffering a shoulder injury. In that time, the 5-11, 170 passer had completed 39 of 71 for 641 yards.

The running assignments will fall to fullback Jeff Harrison, who gained 225 yards last year, and George Jenkins, who had 157. Mike Nocero, a tight end, is the top receiver returning, after 10 catches for 148 yards last fall.

Ball State has a defensive player it is boosting for all-America, cornerback Shafer Suggs, 6-2, 195 senior.

Last fall, he tied the school record of eight interceptions and is one short of the career record of 13 set by Terry Schmidt, now starting for the New Orleans Saints.

Other standouts on the defense are linebackers Toddy Harvey (5-10, 185), second leading tackler, and Kurt Humes (6-2, 215), fifth in tackles; tackle Dave Freeman (6-6, 235) and ends Art Stringer (6-2, 215) and Tim Irelan (6-0, 205).

WESTERN MICHIGAN (3-8, 0-5)—New Coach Elliot Uzelac can hope the old grads won't expect an instant miracle, although he does have 37 lettermen and a good framework of experience on both units.

Pepper Powers claimed the quarterback job late last season, completing 29 passes for 383 yards, and apparently has warded off the challenge of Sollie Boone and sophs Jim Gendron and Dan Memmen.



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Three-year starter Ted Forrest, who caught 19 passes for 300 yards, supplies a receiving threat and regulars Mike Ribecky (6-5, 243), tackle; Jack Reinelt (6-4, 217) and Mike Fenbert (6-3, 227), guards, and Mike Sitko (6-1, 222), center, head up the line.

Rocco Moore (6-7, 273) may be the other tackle, after moving from defense.

Uzelac has done some switching to try to shore up the defense.

Leading tackler Jim Gualdoni and Dwight Walton went from linebacker to end and Duncan McKerracher (6-2, 235) from end to linebacker.

Strength is the tackles, where Mike Metzger (6, 226), Tom Baetens (6-5, 227) and Marvin Downs (6-1, 217) contest for two jobs.

NORTHERN ILLINOIS (4-7)—Jerry Ippoliti plunges into his first MAC campaign with a team improved by experience—eight offensive and six defensive regulars returning—and addition of several transfers.

The Huskies' strength is in big, veteran lines, both offense and defense.

Bruce Ratajczyk (6-4, 246) and Don Palochko (6-3, 232) at the tackles, Jim Jamrozek (6-4, 240) at guard and Tim Peters (5-11, 224) at center resume on offense, with reserve Dan Mincey (6, 227) moving up at the other guard.

That unit should be especially effective now that Ippoliti has switched from the option to hand-off and passing style offense.

He made the change because it suits quarterback Jerry Golsteyn better and because he has strong runners in Vince Smith (6-1, 192), Eddie Johnson (5-10, 210) and JC transfers Dave Pienkowski (5-9, 188) and Carl Goings (6-1, 230).

Smith led Huskie runners with 720 yards and Golsteyn hit 62 passes for 712 yards. Pienkowski and Goings both rate high.

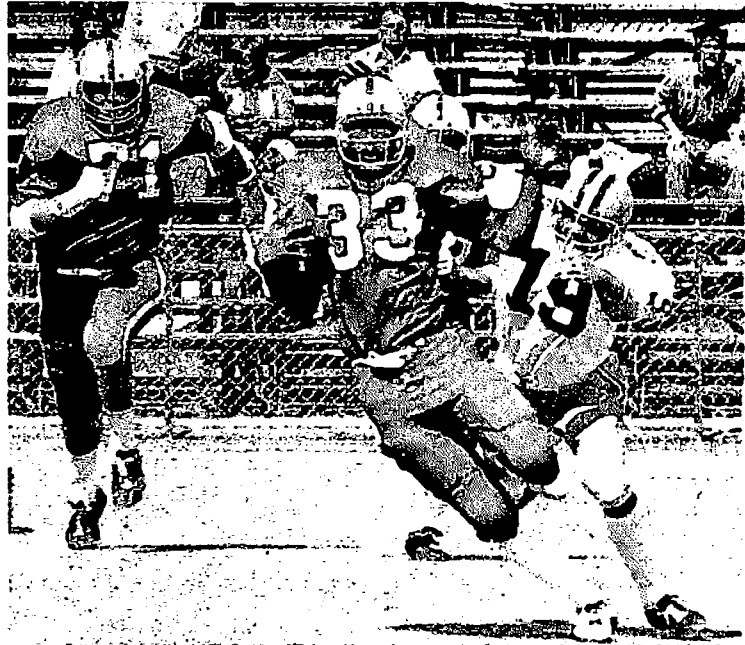
Russ Hill at flanker, transfer Joe Louis, reserve Mike Flatley at split end and No. 2 receiver Ken Moore (6-3, 218) and JV grad John Paplham at tight end give Golsteyn excellent targets.

Pro prospects Jerry Myers (6-4, 257) and Roman Szumnarski (6, 254) are back at the defensive tackles, inside regular ends George Ailes and Gary Whyte. Transfer Barry Hakala (6-3, 220) will be the middle guard.

Starters Jeff Grovak and Bob Streich will be challenged at linebacker by transfer Tom Ball (6-2; 220), but the secondary is all new. Bob Gregolunas switches from quarterback to fill the rover position.

EASTERN MICHIGAN (4-6-1)—George Mans has one more year to build toward the MAC, since the Hurons will become the league's tenth team in 1976.

Meanwhile, he has 33 lettermen, including seven regulars on offense and five on defense, for a final 10-game Division II bid.



VINCE SMITH (33), Northern Illinois tailback, swivels for some yardage against Western Michigan last season.

The offense lost its record-setting halfback, Mike Streckland, but has a potential replacement in 6-0, 195 Clarence Chapman. He led in TD's last year with six from wingback and had an additional two on 98 and 85 yard kick-off returns.

Jerry Mucha (6-2, 190) and Steve Raklovits (6-0, 190) split quarterbacking time last year and both return, along with fullback Carl Hughes (6-0, 190) and his understudy, Darrell Diguid.

Up front, Mans will have '74 regulars Jim Stansik (6-4, 205) at tight end, Dave Spencer (6-3, 185) at split end, Mark Carter (6-6, 215) at tackle and Rod Luplow (5-11, 235) at guard.

Anchor for the defensive rebuilding is end Brian Karol (6-1, 185), second leading tackler with 155 stops. Also returning are middle guard Ric Franz and three deep backs, Ron Johnson, Carlos Henderson and Jeff Bixler.

OHIO CONFERENCE (Red Division)

WITTENBERG (7-1-2, 3-0-1)—Dave Maurer's defense, No. 1 on OC, solidly anchored with regulars Dave Biddlestone (T), Bob Holderman (MG), Bob Foster (LB), Doug Peck (school record for interceptions, 8) and Karl Lee (B). Alec Drummond (T), Dean Caven, Larry Morrison (E) and George Keen (B), experienced replacements. Offense must be rebuilt, with only QB Brian Aschenbrenner (52c, 817y), Rick Dill (G) and John Hafford (T) available. Ernie Brown (RB, 175y), Jeff Graf (FB, 247y), Phil Wiedemann (FL, 8r, 143y), Greg Walther (C) and Doug Moore (SE) should be solid additions.

MOUNT UNION (7-2, 3-1)—Ken Wable's offense, No. 1 in OC (3290y, 2840 rushing), returns league-leader Mark Choppa (FB, 1068y), QB Gary Frost (28c, 450y; 685y rushing), HB's Ray Giancola (446y), Mike Gillespie (254y), Frank Maietta (C), Phil Kostyo (T), Gene Hartman and Tim Dusek, G). Defense, 3rd in OC, also strong with league defensive player of year Dan Paugh (MG), all-OC Don Lape (T), regulars Ken Lewis, Ed Davis (E), Howard

Ward (T), Mike Woloschak (LB), Steve Slater and Craig Duebner, B).

CAPITAL (5-4, 2-2)—Gene Slaughter's defense, 4th in OC, needs only two replacements. LB Dave Toopes (6-4, 218) heads strong cast including Rich Panzanella, Pat Conroy, Rob Hunter (LB), Larry Mallory, Jim Ditz, Denny Freudman, George Jurkovich (T), Bill Halm, Joe Gerzina (E), Mitch Leak, Dave Truex, Mike Casanta and Denny Edwards (B). QB Steve Gwin (42c, 639y; 323y rushing) has regulars HB Bill Tinsky (426y), Steve Walters (E), Bob Hamilton (C), Mark Novelli (G), Jeff Belinski and Dan Shirley, T) as solid help.

OHIO WESLEYAN (4-5, 1-3)—Jack Fouts hopes for boost in offense, last in OC, with returning QB Bob Mauck (73c; 937y), third in OC, Tom Scurfield (FL, 27r, 255y), Pete Whyte (TE) 18r, 235y) and Tim Schmidt (FB, 315y). Other holdovers include Dave Carey (SE), Bill Nutting, Glenn Mueller (HB), Ted Terry (G), Doug Short and Rick Combs (T). Ted Durchik, Chip Johnson (T), Jim Sitko (MG), Joe Greve (E) anchor line rebuilding, but Tim Campana (S) only behind-line returnee.

DENISON (3-5-1, 0-3-1)—Keith Piper's hopes high, with 19 regulars available. Good year needed from QB Dan Ross (39c, 700y), joined by starters Ty Jones (410y), Jim Barrett (HB), Joe Mattie, Steve Mohr (E), Al ND Steve Danis (G), Bill Mason (C) and Ken Sklenicka (T). Defense, 5th in OC, anchored by LB's Ken DeCrane and Dennis Thorne, also strong with regulars Dave Holcomb, Lou Kasunic, Scott Dangler, Bert Bathiany (B), Rich Bonini, Tom Carney (E), Jim Boizot and Jim Wilson (T).

KENYON (2-6-1)—Nationally-ranked passing combo graduated, but Phil Morse has another in QB Jack Forgrave (41c, 743y) and Bob Jennings (SE, 31r, 589y), plus Mark Leonard (TE). RB's Craig Davidson (298y), Jim Townsend (267y) join line regulars Gregg Kalifut, Dan Blend (T), Ken Nugent, George Guzauskas (G) and Pat White (C) on offense. Defense, improved in late '74, returns 10 regulars, keyed by Mike Kennedy (CB), Bill Morgan (T) and Jim Townsend (LB).

OHIO NORTHERN (2-7)—Wally Hood has 16 starters returning, topped by TB Steve Decker (676y), but QB will be uncertain. Back-up Vaughn Williams top candidate. Offensive line intact, with Tim Glaurer (TE) and Mike Bloodgood (G) as anchors. Chuck Long, John West (LB), Greg Krupe-lak, Mike Park, and Tom Beck (B) are regulars on defense, with six veterans available for line spots.

(Blue Division)

BALDWIN-WALLACE (8-1, 5-0)—Lee Tressel's 31 lettermen include 14 regulars. Mike Applegate (557y), Mike Albert (310y) and Sam Crumpton (211y) supply sufficient ground force; Doug Shook (19r, 277y) and Robbie Robbins (26r, 329y) the receiving and George Key (C) and Ross MacConnell

(T) anchor for line rebuilding. Replacement QB Ken Preseran has enough experience to keep scoringest OC offense in gear. Defense (2nd in OC) also has seven holdover regulars, Chuck Hall, Jim Haubert (E), Rich Intorico (T), Greg Freede, Gary Nash, Jim Kuhner (LB) and Bob Beichler (B). Unit should be strong.

MARIETTA (6-3, 3-2) Foremost of Joe McDaniel's 14 holdover starters is all-OC QB Dan Settles (69c, 681y; 322y rushing). Favorite targets Jim Crowley (35r, 386y) and Ned Shiflett (18r, 224y) also back, along with FB Ron Padgett (432y). Mark McEvoy (C), Ray Fanta and Roger Hartzell (T) return in line. Only Mike Coluzzi and reserve Jeff Welch available in secondary, but forward defense solid with Jeff Heck, Eric Blahnik (E), Tom Yarnell (T), Dave Kenyon (MG), Jim Biancamano and Don Farley (LB).

OTTERBEIN (6-3, 4-1)—Graduation jolted OC's 3rd offense, but new coach Rich Seils rebuilds with QB Bill Hillier (70c, 1057y; 302y rushing), 3rd in league, Alex Garcia (C), Tom Woodyard (T), Grant Nesbitt and Mike Basha (G). HB's Ron Gorman (275y) and Larry Roush expected to add ground punch. Defense solid with entire secondary, Scott Reall, Tom Harbrecht, Biff Roberts and Tom McKelvey, plus holdover starters Rob Dodge, Don Snider (LB), John Hussey (MG) and Chuck Lehman (E).

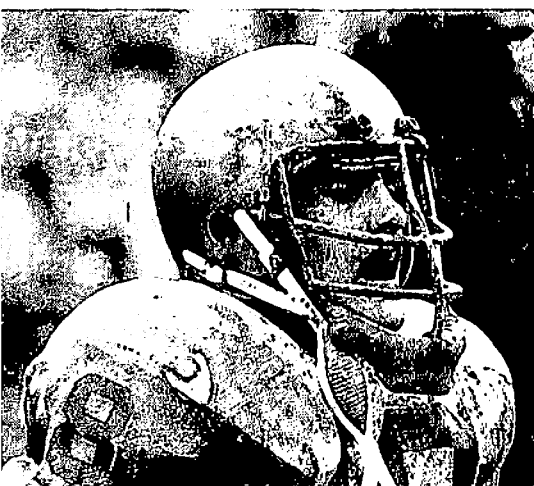
MUSKINGUM (4-5, 2-3)—Al Christopher has only five '74 starters, tops being FB Dave Caldwell (1025y) and all-OC safety, Jeff Heacock. Kevin Snyder started couple games at QB and lettering Larry Cole, Randy Pringle (SE), Jeff Farmr (TE), Jeff Huffman and Darrell Patterson (T) will help rebuilding. Jeff Morgan, out last year with injury, challenges at QB. Reguars Dave Hawk (E), Randy Buckley and Bill Hartmeyer (LB), plus experienced Mike Miller (B) join Heacock as defensive base.

HEIDELBERG (4-5, 1-4)—Pete Reisen has OC's total offense and passing champ, QB Tim Van Goetham (262a, 124c, 1811y), FB Joe Horison (501y) and TE Rick Bandy (34r, 355y), but offensive line must be rebuilt around Nick Hulea (C). Tom Weakland and Terry McGuire also vets in ball-carrying. Defense better set with Ben Ruhlin (MC), Brett Smith, Jud Sprindel (T), Mark DiBlasi (E), Dan Willis (LB) and Dan Brown (B) returning. Bob Ruth and Mike Lodyn beef up LB, Dan Graham and John Port the FS.

WOOSTER (2-6, 0-5)—New coach Don Hunsinger has problems, but not at QB, with Jim Bressi (50c, 868y) and Jamie Melvin (46c, 572y) joined by Dave Pandilidis, hurt last year, but high-rated. Rick Koeth (31r, 296y) and Jim Gerard (22r, 419y) top receivers, but only HB Tom Grippa (289y) back from weak ground attack. Ken Wehmeyer and Gary Maxwell (T) resume. LB's Bruce Schibler, Steve Sheasby and Bill McMillan solid start for defense that also includes Bill Brown, Dave Jones (E), Mike Schroeck and Mike Bringardner (B).

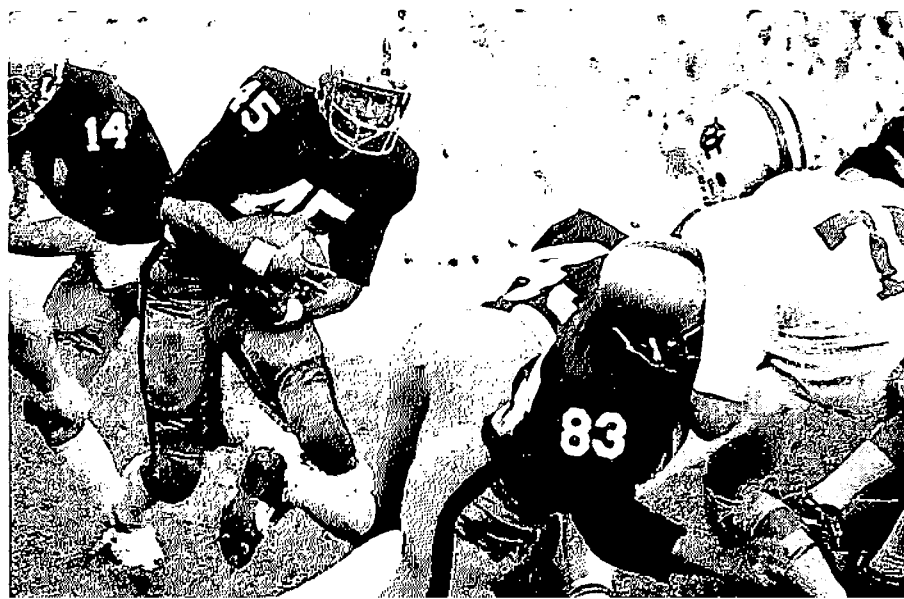
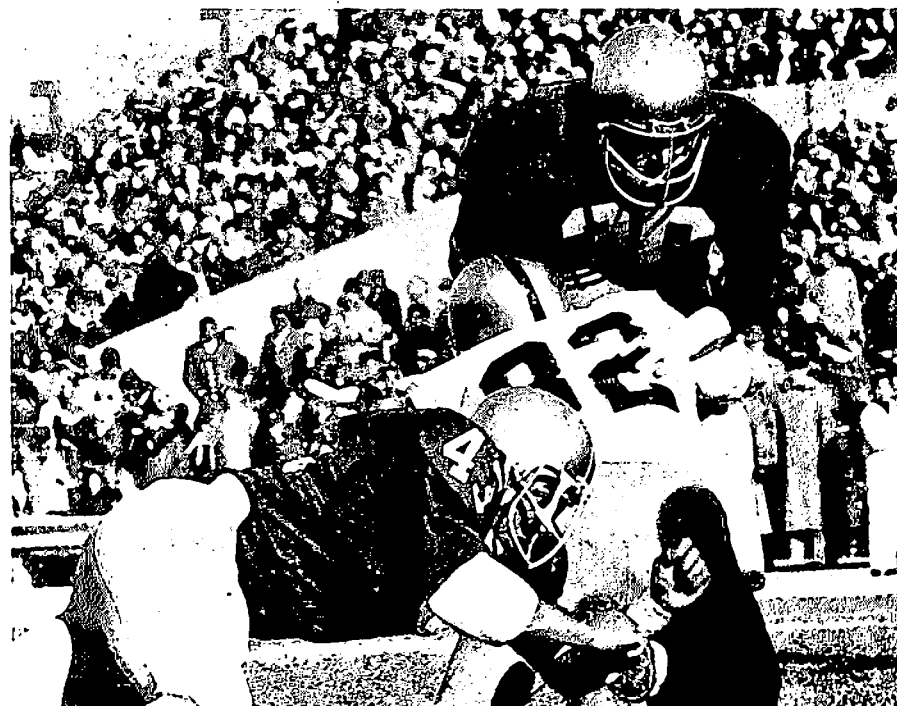


JIMMY CEFALO, (left) was Penn State freshman star in 1974. **GREG BUTTLE**, linebacker (center) led team in tackles, interceptions and fumble recoveries and tackle **TOM RAFFERTY** (right) heads strong Penn State offensive line.



CHET MOELLER, Navy All-America defensive back, exhorts teammates in 7-6 upset win over Penn State.

BOB JACKSON, right, Navy back, picks up yardage against Army in '74 service clash in which he had both touchdowns in a 19-0 victory.



MARKUS HARDY, junior halfback, gets running room in Army's 13-10 triumph over Holy Cross last year.

AL STAERKEL, Army co-captain, defensive back, ranked fifth with 96 tackles in '74, his junior year.





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Isn't there anyone in the Dear Old East who can derail the Nittany Lion Express? Or Delaware in the Division II group?

It seems as though every winter hope springs on a multitude of campuses that Coach Joe Paterno's Mount Nits will be brought to their knees finally, and Coach Tubby Raymond's Blue Hens will be yielding their laurels. But when the November showdowns are eventually concluded, Penn State and Delaware somehow seem to be able to retain their sectional honors.

State will be going for its fifth straight Eastern crown and Bowl date this fall, their eighth in the last nine years under Coach Joe. Meanwhile, the Hens will be shooting for their eighth consecutive Lambert Cup (Division II, Eastern title).

One perennial Eastern king—the Ivy's Dartmouth—did get knocked off its perch last fall, and even wound up in the circuit's second division after cap-

turing or sharing five straight championships. So, perhaps, the lengthy reigns of the Nittany and the Blue Hens are nearing termination, too.

Most likely successors to the Eastern throne rooms should the mighty falter figure to be either Boston College's explosive forces or Pitt's deep and improving Panthers. And should anyone unseat Delaware, try the Lehigh Engineers, solid 7-game winners each of the last two years.

Since last season, Eastern football has lost two of its valiant members. The University of Vermont, which enjoyed a very competitive campaign, decided to give up the gridiron sport last November, while the University of Bridgeport trustees voted to ring the curtain down on its football program AFTER the 1975 season. But when no one showed for practice in the spring, Bridgeport tossed in the sponge. Another major off-the-field loss involved coaching. Bucknell's Fred Prender suffered a fatal heart attack last spring.

In addition, there were the usual number of head coaching switches. Stanford aide George Seifert moved in at Cornell in place of Jack Musick . . . Joe Sabol came down from Norwich to take over the Gettysburg reins from Gene Haas, now content to just handle the AD's duties. Dick Bedesem is the new man at Villanova.

Penn State's continuance at the top of the heap probably will depend upon Paterno replacing some "big-play" people quickly. Especially, he must find a QB to step into Tom Shuman's big shoes. Halfback Jimmy Cefalo, who exploded on the scene late last year though only a frosh, is being tabbed for "All" pickers.

Of course, so is Pitt's Tony (TD) Dorsett, who fell off slightly last fall, due to some leg hurts. But the Junior Tony could lead the Panthers all the way back up the hill if Johnny Majors can fill in his quarterback void. Karl Farmer is an ideal split receiver. Boston College, with its starting backfield returning intact, could give the Eagles their first Bowl team in 33 years if the defense is rugged enough. Fullback Keith Barnette provides the crunch and QB Mike Kruczek has the savvy and experience to put points on the board.

Other breakthroughs are more remote. Wayne Hardin, who's rebuilt Temple into the kind of a power it was decades ago, has a super nose guard in 262-pound Joe Klecko and enough able agents to

be competitive. But missing is ace QB Steve Joachim. Navy's defense, led by Chet Moeller and Andy Bushak could give the Mids their first winner in eight years. Syracuse, in its second year under Frank Maloney, will be better, but how much? Linebacker Ray Preston and tackles Ken Clarke and retreaded Bill Zanovitch head up a defense that shouldn't leak 271 points again. With ace receivers Marsh Mills and Danny Buggs now alumni, West Virginia plans to run more. Rutgers has a raft of people back from a 7-win campaign and could be a spoiler. Army's Homer Smith, who made a big stride in his rookie season, should up the Cadets a couple of more notches.

Villanova, lopping a few intersectional foes off its ambitious program, is rebuilding under new coach Dick Bedesem, former Temple aide. A stout defense is on hand. Holy Cross has a solid pack of runners and good passing, but like Colgate, has defensive problems. Bruce Basile and Pat Healy should keep the Raiders' Wishbone churning.

Both the Ivy League and the Yankee Conference figure to have another pair of wild chases. No Ivy is a stickout. The co-winners of last fall—Yale and Harvard—are both searching for a quarterback, but are readying solid defenses to fan their title ambitions. The Elis' Charlie Palmer is a he-man tackle. Brown, which has made monumental strides under John Anderson, even showing back-to-back winning seasons for the first time in a couple of decades, has the depth and the momentum to perhaps chalk up its initial crown. Veteran kicker Jose Violante gives the Bruins the three-point play. Dartmouth, submerged in the second division last fall after winning or sharing five straight titles, will rebuild around super linebacker Reggie Williams. Cornell has reached all the way to the West Coast—Stanford aide George Seifert—in order to rebuild its grid muscle, gone flabby with a pair of 3-5-1 seasons. Senior Bruce Starks is a gee-whiz receiver. Princeton, under Bob Casciola is harboring strength, and Columbia's strong frosh of last fall should enhance the bleak Lion picture.

The Yankees figure to be just as scrambled as the Ivies. Veteran New Hampshire, which finished strong, might just do it. Maine, which shared the title with UMass last fall, has its entire backfield returning, ready to explode again. Connecticut is moving up in scheduling, while thin Massachusetts must keep its key folks healthy to make a strong run for the flag.

Delaware's Tubby Raymond's Hens look indigestible again in the Middle Five, while the Little Three appears so even, it could wind up in a triple tie.

PENN STATE—Can the Nittany Lions roar into their fifth straight Bowl game?

Coach Joe Paterno, who has fashioned a sparkling 85-15-1 mark in his nine grand years as ringmaster of the Lions, sees "the toughest schedule we have had," plus the problem of "replacing some big play people" as his biggest problems in fielding another superior team. Ohio State and Kentucky have been added to harass this year's Mount Nits, as well as improving Temple.



KEITH BARNETTE, BC fullback, scored 134 pts. last year to lead nation.

MIKE KRUCZEK, signal-caller at BC, hit 68.8 percent of passes in '74.



Despite some key graduation losses—QB Tom Shuman, tight End Dan Natale, tackle Mike Harstenstine, fullback Tom Donchez and others—Coach Joe seems to have the principal parts for another strong machine. The Lions certainly will be good again, but will they be great?

They will if Paterno can develop a solid quarterback quickly, discover some wide receivers, and solidify his defensive platoon at end and outside linebacking. Those four spots look like the early-season headaches.

Junior John Andress and John Carroll, both better than 200-pounders, have the inside shot at QB, with Mark French pushing for recognition, too. Their best offensive weapon should be Jimmy Cefalo, the speedboy who broke up the Cotton Bowl battle with Baylor when only a mere frosh. Mating in the backfield with Jimmy will be tailback Woody Petchel or Rusty Boyle, fullback Duane Taylor and breakaway whiz, Neil Hutton.

Up front, senior guard Tom Rafferty (232) will lead a sharp-blocking unit. Junior George Reihner will mate with him, while Brad Benson will work one tackle. Randy Sidler or Dave Stutts moves in at tight end.

Placekicker Chris Bahr, the soccer-style booter, will provide the deep, three-point dimension again. Chris can hit from 50 yards out.

Defensively, the Lions figure to present another alert, powerful unit. Greg Buttle (214) is a solid linebacker who'll help stop the run. So will Jim Rosecrans (235), senior, his inside mate. Kurt Allerman, Ron Crosby and Rich Kriston are other returning backers-up. John Quinn (228) leads a solid tackle brigade along with Ron Cuder. Denny Zmudzin is the top end returning.

In the secondary, such experienced operatives as Mike Johnson, Tom Giotto and Jeff Hite are back to cause the foes plenty of concern.

Overall, State figures to put another first-class eleven on the gridiron.

BOSTON COLLEGE—The Eagles, which have threatened to soar before, have a genuine chance to make it this fall. For Coach Joe Yukica has 34 lettermen returning from last year's powerful 8-3 vehicle,

which finished up winning its last six.

The specialists, who can move the football and score points are back. These include the entire starting backfield, the top receiver in BC history Dave Zumbach, plus superfoot Fred Steinfort.

QB Mike Kruczek, who completed 68 per cent of his passes, is back to direct traffic again. And he's got a pair of outstanding ball-carriers in Keith Barnette and Earl Strong to again run the ball down the opposition's throat. Barnette tallied 22 touchdowns last year to lead the nation in scoring. Strong averaged better than 5 yards a carry.

Wide receiver Dave Zumbach has all the moves, and needs just five catches to rewrite the Eagles' record book. Steinfort had five field goals from 50 yards out, and he converted 44 of 46 PAT's.

Yukica has problems, too. He must find a pair of offensive tackles and some linebackers. The offensive line will again have Don Macek at center, guard Steve Schindler. Don Petersen again will be at tight end. Steve Mannix, John Maxwell, John Strollo, and Bill Paulsen figure to help out the frontier.

Defensively, junior Dave Almeida paces the deep secondary. Safety Paul Murphy returns with him. Rog Reddick and Steve Scialabba have had experience. The new linebackers could be Rich Ramirez, Rich Scudellari and Gerry Baroffio. Up front, Joe Glandorf, Tom Lynch, Pete Cronan and Bob Moore return. Jim Walton again will handle the punting.

This could be a banner year for Yukica if he can find some linebackers to stem the Irish in the opener. After that, the schedule could be made to order for the Eagles.

PITTSBURGH—Johnny Majors continues to improve the grid climate at Pitt, and another big forward step is expected this fall. The Panthers do face the No. 1 Sooners in their second test, but there are 36 lettermen returning, including 12 starters, plus the "best overall quality group of incoming recruits," he says, "since I've been at Pitt."

Tony Dorsett, Pitt's all-time leading rusher, returns for junior duty and will again toss his helmet into the middle of the All-America picture. Placekicker Carson Long, another junior, might be the best field goal man in the nation, too.

Offensively, the big questionmark will be quarterback. Junior Bob Haygood is the leading candidate, but he's had almost no game experience. Sophs Matt Cavanaugh, Mark O'Toole and Dave Migliore will give him a growl. Speed Merchant Elliott Walker, now a soph, will mate with Dorsett to again give the Panthers a pair of explosive ball carriers. Fullback Bob Hutton returns to supply the blocking and inside power blasting.

John's receivers are solid, too. Senior split end Karl Farmer has speed and good hands and tight end Jim Corbett is a good one. Rod Clark, Jinx Johnson and Willie Taylor will push 'em. The rest of the offensive line needs rebuilding. Only returning starters are guard Tom Brzoza (221) and tackle Joe Stone (240).

Defensively, Tom Perko (238) and Cecil Johnson (221) return at the flanks, with Don Parrish

(233) and Al Romano (225) again working at tackle. Arnie Weatherington is a solid linebacker, while Denny Moorhead is a capable safety. Two soph defensive tackles, Randy Holloway and Dan Zelaby, look like fine prospects.

So do a good many of the incoming fresh, including linebacker Harold Cook, tackles Dave Sten, Mike Kolbs, and Jerry Dempsey and running back Jeff Delaney.

Pitt's definitely on the upswing, though the schedule, even if Oklahoma's powerhouse has been added, seems a mite easier. Therefore, Majors figures to improve on his 7-4 log of last fall.

TEMPLE—Wayne Hardin feels confident that his sixth Owl vehicle will be an improvement over last year's 8-2 model. However, the Temple schedule is looking up, too, with such new faces as Penn State, making it difficult for this year's team to match last year's record.

Probably, if Temple is to keep winning, Hardin will have to uncover a suitable QB replacement for the departed Steve Joachim, who was tapped for some All-America honors. Pat Carey and Bob Baker, a pair of transfers, plus Dick Bedesem, Terry Gregory, Jim Gyles and Joe Marciano will all battle it out to run the offense. Running backs Kevin Grady and Bob Harris should supply the power needed for ball control.

Offensive guard Pat Staub should pace the blockers up front along with tight end Jeff Stempel. Pete Righi is a crack wide receiver. The kicking will again be handled by the exceptional booters, Punter Mark Donlevie and placekicker Don Bitterlich, who has kicked 55 straight extra points.

The defense, led by 262-pound middle guard Joe Klecko, figures to be even sounder. Hardin rates the junior Klecko as a "bona fide All-America."

Safetyman Bob Mizia, who also returns kicks, is a stickout in the deep secondary. Bob Salla and Mark Ulsh will work with Mizia again, as will Brian Touhey.

Rich Dowiak returns as a linebacker, along with 217-pound Doug Brown, Rich Taber and Tom Ruchlewicz. Tackle Blair Miers (250) and end Joe Teklits (224) also return to provide solidarity and experience.

Hardin figures to put out another strong team, though his won-lost may dip slightly.

NAVY—George Welsh is happy with his experienced defense that houses eight Mid starters from a year ago. And he likes the improved running attack, too, this despite the fact that the all-time career rushing leader at Annapolis, Cleveland Cooper, has gone to sea. Seniors Ed Gilmore and Bob Jackson, plus speedboy Gerry Goodwin, tote the leather, and their blocking up front is better.

Senior Dick Feckler (240) and Mark Poston (241) both are experienced tackles, while Steve Barilich (248) is back at a guard spot. Mike Hansell (243) and Mark O'Hare (252) are other beefy holdovers, while Dana Liller (235), Jim Lippard (240) and Roy Bookmiller (225) are sophs with a future.



RAY PRESTON, Syracuse standout linebacker, led team in tackles last year.



KEN KINSEY, slowed by injuries last year, is key running back at Syracuse.

BOB MITCH, defensive back last year, moves to Syracuse quarterback job.



Defensively, ace roverback Chet Moeller, an All-America candidate who might be as good as there is in the country, is back. He returns kicks, too. Working with him on a solid Navy defense is linebacker Andy Bushak, as good as there is in the East, and Dave Papak, ace tackle. The latter weighs 235.

Other defensive stickouts are John Sturges, Len Mogan, Gene Ford and Ed Jeter in the deep secondary. All are proven. Ends Mark Thorpe and Ron Duplessis return at the flanks, with middle guards Jeff Sapp and Jeff Hoobler, tackle Ken Trass all experienced, too. Tom Gardner, J. J. Scott and Randy Hutcherson can work at the linebacking spots along with Bushak.

Some other defensive timber who can help are sophs John Foy (245), Jeff Smart (245) and Charlie Davidson, along with the Caulk brothers, Bob and Pete, who, if you'll pardon the pun, can "Caulk" things up.

Placekicker Steve Dykes, the team's leading scorer, returns, but Welsh is looking for punting help. And also for a little luck to help him improve on last fall's 4-7 mark.

SYRACUSE—Under Frank Malone for the first time last fall, the Orange played with early-season enthusiasm. They displayed sound defense and good kicking, but then losses began gnawing away at the morale, and the last month was a long one.

This year's schedule is more tailor-made for im-

provement, so Orange fans can look forward to better things than back-to-back 2-9 campaigns. There are 34 lettermen returning, with the receiving and quarterback spots being solid.

The latter has been beefed up with the return of Bob Mitch from safety to the signal-calling job he held as a soph. He'll battle incumbent Jim Donoghue, who did a fine job last year until injured. Lonnie Allgood and Joe Brennan (hurt half the season) will be the principal receivers.

The running back corps will be led by Ken Kinsey, Bob Avery, Don Magee and Tom Voyda. Voyda is a 225-pound strongboy who can make the tough yards. Other backs who'll be heard from are Jimmy Jenkins, Larry Goldstein, Jim Sessler and Will James.

The offensive line is an unknown quantity. Marv Jones could move in at tight end, with Don Wells (240) and either Kevin Moss or Kosta Kobakof at the guards. Transfer Bill Varvari could be the center. Jose St. Victor (230) returns at one tackle.

Defensively, All-America candidate Ray Preston will lead from his middle linebacking post. Lindy Hess and Gerry Martin will work with him. Tim Moresco, Larry King and Keith Moody, all experienced, will pace the deep secondary, with Nate Wright and Tim Ahern getting shots, too. Ken Clarke (242) is back at one tackle spot, and Bill Zanovitch (231), out all last year with injury, will be back at the other. Jim Jerome returns at his end spot, with Dave Tate at the other. Defensive tackle Nick Marsella, might work up front on the offense. Soph Bernie Winters (238) shapes up as a respectable nose guard.

The kicking game, with Bernie Ruoff graduated, is a complete mystery.

Syracuse should be improved, but Maloney will have to get plenty of help from the incoming freshmen to give the Orange its first winner since 1970.

WEST VIRGINIA—With two of the nation's top receivers—Danny Buggs and Marsh Mills—graduating, Coach Bobby Bowden plans to go more to the running game. He experimented a good deal with his offense last spring in order to take advantage of his veteran runners.

Senior Artie Owens, who ran for 1130 yards last fall, heads up the pack. Ron Lee and Heywood Smith, two other seniors, plus junior Dwayne Woods are ready to go. Woods missed a lot of action last fall due to injury. Last year QB Kirk Lewis, who started a few games, has moved out to wide receiver.

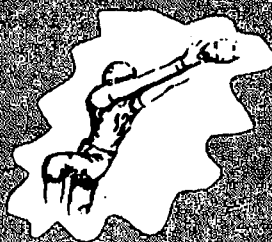
All-East tackle Dave Van Halanger and center Al Gluchoski lead the offensive line again. They helped the Mountaineers rush for almost 2500 yards last fall, and Bowden says, "We feel we can look people in the eye up there now."

The key QB spot is still up for grabs. Soph Danny Kendra is the one to beat. He came on late to click on 66 per cent of his passes, steer WVU to wins in two of their last three. Senior Ben Williams and Tom Loadman will back him up, with soph Dan Williams being the most exciting signal-caller last spring.

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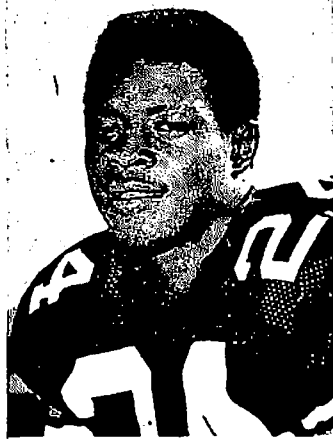
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AL GLUCHOSKI anchors West Virginia's offensive line as 235-pound center.



ARTIE OWENS gained 1130 yards, had 7 TDs for West Virginia last year.

Defensively, the Mountaineers must improve at several key spots if they're to lift their 4-7 mark. Six starters are missing. Defensive end Clay Singletary (225) can move into one vacant spot, and Fran Gleason is a linebacker to watch. Both are sophs. Rich Lukowski returns at one tackle, while Ken Culbertson and Steve Dunlap will work at their linebacking posts again. Rory Fields and Jack Eastwood return in the back court.

The kicking game will be veteran. Chuck Brooks will again handle the punting, while Emil Ros is a competent placekicker.

WVU looks like it'll be able to move the football and tally points, but can Bowden develop a defense quick enough for that rugged early-season schedule?

RUTGERS—The Scarlet has a solid group of starters—12—returning from a surprisingly successful (7-3-1) team of last fall. They're equally divided, and if Coach Frank Burns can find some replacements for his offensive line and his defensive secondary, he'll have a good chance repeating.

"The new winged-T offense," he claims, "suited our personnel. And we don't plan to change too much."

Jim Teatom, the strong safety, will be the lone returnee in the deep court, so two sophs—Reggie Moultrie and Bob Davis—plus junior Dave Figueroa will have to step in. The rest of the defense should be sound. Nate Toran (220) and Dwight Lipscomb

will be at the ends, with John Alexander (235) at one tackle. Tom Holmes and Elvin Washington (220) will return as linebackers. Holmes and Toran were tapped for All-East honors last fall.

Offensively, Burns can hitch up QB Bert Kosup along with top rushers fullback Curt Edwards and soph Mike Fisher. Soph Matt Allison is a good one and will back up Kosup. The tackles return, with Bill Fenn (230) and soph Tony Ray (225) expected to improve. Tight end Pete Clark will be pushed by John Walling (235), a transfer from Purdue. Mark Twitty and Marty O'Hare form a capable split end tandem. Injuries kept O'Hare sidelined all last season.

Burns likes his veterans coming back, but he also believes that he's got some top newcomers, too. Those in this group not already listed are tackles Bill Clarke and Rich Wagner and Cornerback Bob Davis.

With a comparatively light schedule and with seven home games, the Scarlet should again do all right.

ARMY—"It's a new world," smiles Army grid coach Homer Smith, as he approaches his second campaign on the Hudson Plains. "A year ago, we had only film to go by, but now we know firsthand who we're dealing with."

The fact that Smith's first Army vehicle only proved out to a 3-8 season hasn't discouraged the former Princeton singlewing fullback. Twenty-six lettermen return, including 13 starters.

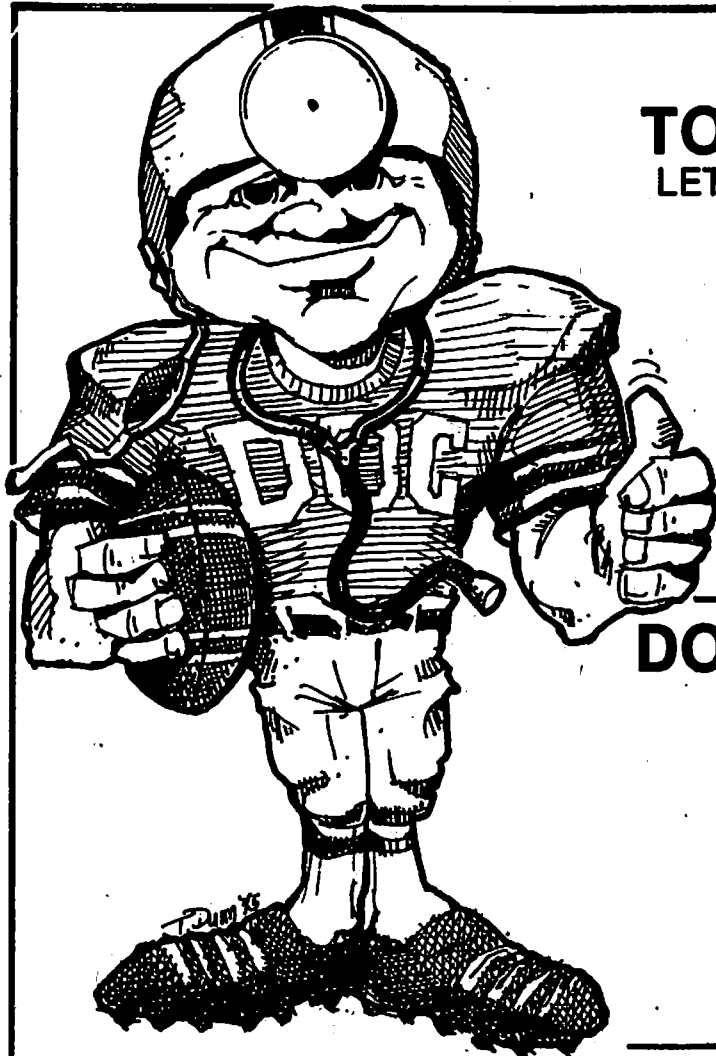
To improve his attack, Smith plans to diversify this season. He'll mix in a little winged-T and slot with his Wishbone. This is in order to get more mileage out of Scott Gillogly, Greg McGlasker and Leamon Hall, three veteran quarterbacks. There's no secret that Smith would like to beef up his air arm, which a year ago only averaged 74 yards a game, compared with 200 on the ground. He'd like to balance things out. Hall probably is the best passer of the trio.

The running game is solid, with fullback Brad Dodrill and Markus Hardy, the two top rushers, returning. Hardy has burning speed and is gifted at returning kicks. Soph Greg King and vets Tony Payne and Kevin Christensen will vie for the other backfield spot.

The offensive line has size. Ken Liepold (235) and John Gallagher (242) can handle the tackles, with Brett Moritz (240), Tim Felt (220) and Jim Hodge (220) at the guards, while Jerry Araneo will be over the ball.

The defense is small, but scrappy. End Stan Ford and tackle Mark Smith return at their spots, with Jim Hollingsworth, Ray Beverley, Jon Konecny and Keith Wilson slated to battle it out for the other posts.

Co-Capt. Al Staerkel will be at safety again. Others experienced are Gary May, Al Stuhlmiller, Vance Herrell, Carl Goode and Joe Clancy. Greg Dyson heads the linebacking. Jeff Bruckner, a linebacker, is being worked at end, too. Sophs Steve McCraw and Charlie Mitchell are being looked on as suitable new linebackers.



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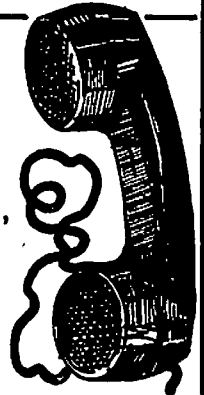
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The kicking game figures to be solid, with Dave Hoopengardner doing the punting again and Mike Castelli and Mike Marquez sharing the placekicking assignment.

Army looks improved, but that schedule is no bed of roses.

VILLANOVA—A new head coach—Dick Bedesem—will be trying to revitalize the 3-8 Wildcats. The former Temple aide inherits 25 lettermen, with the defensive returnees being especially sound.

"The defense was Villanova's strength last year," he observes, "and I look forward to another strong defensive club. We must improve our offensive blocking and our running game."

Linebacker Steve Ramsey and deep back Steve Ebbecke are both strong All-East candidates. Rick Aldrich and Jim Magee will work with Ramsey backing up, while Sean Collins will be in the deep secondary along with Ebbecke. Tackle Gary Shugrue, end Jim Trolice and middle guard Dan Bathon are other solid citizens.

Three blue chip transfers should lift the defensive unit considerably. They are linebacker Art Semler, middle guard Randy Richardson, and safety Tom McLoughlin.

Junior QB Brian Sikorski again will direct the offense. Two wide receivers—John Mastronardo and Jeff McGeehin—will be his favorite targets. The running backs will be led by Ralph Pasquariello, with Greg Marotta, Mike Lombardi and Tony Serge vying for the other spot. Junior Mike Frazier will back up Sikorski.

Soph Gus Fernandez is expected to handle the placekicking chores.

If Villanova can beef up its offense, Bedesem might be able to deliver a winner in his very first season.

HOLY CROSS—Ed Doherty is optimistic about the '75 H.C. prospects. Thirty-nine lettermen return, and among them are 18 who started the last half of the season.

The top eight rushers return, plus senior split end Dave Quehl, who caught 62 passes last fall. Junior QB Bob Morton again will direct the show, with Steve Hunt, Mark Cannon, Grant Keith and Jim Haldeman all ready for more toting duty. Haldeman was held back by injuries last fall.

Up front, Doherty wants to see some changes, even though he's got a load of experience. Senior Paul Klauke (230) is a top-flight center, while Steve Marr (235) is a solid tackle.

Defensively, the line and linebacking should be outstanding. Seniors Larry Prior and Jim Coughlin will lead the deep secondary, where All-America John Provost, of course, will be missed.

Senior middle guard Lou Kobza (235) might be the best tackle, too. Juniors Frank Matasavage (225) and John Trimbach (255) are key returnees up front, too. Senior Jim Grogan and Juniors Bill Campbell and Mark Vollman are back at the linebacking spots.

Senior Jerry Kelley, who has accounted for a re-

markable total of 122 points, will again handle the placekicking.

Doherty knows that his depth is suspect, and states that "if we can avoid the rash of injuries that hit last year, we'll do well."

COLGATE—QB Bruce Basile, who accounted for more than 1500 yards running and throwing the football out of the Wishbone, and ace runner Pat Healy will again lead Coach Neil Wheelwright's Red Raider offense.

They'll have help to provide the Raiders with another high-scoring offense. But can Colgate's defense stem the tide enough to get them back on the winning side of the ledger?

Two speedy Ball-toters—Henry White and Keith Polito—return to share the offensive duties with Basile and Healy. Junior Bill Shick will provide the power and blocking from full. The offensive line is sturdy, headed by Guard Doug Gursky (255) and senior tackle Mike Dogwin (221). Tight End Craig Hindman is a good all-around performer. Mike Foley, John Gibney and Bob Flynn are other linemen who are about ready to flex their muscles.

The kicking will be handled again by Jerry Andrewlavage, who averaged 38 yards with his punts and clicked on 24 of 26 PAT's.

Three regulars return in the defensive frontier. These would be ends Dave Sinapi and Gary Hartwig, plus tackle Bill Burrows (248). Joe Ramah (239) is expected to mate with Burrows, while either Ed Argast or Rick Doell could wind up at middle guard.

Jim Gregory (200) will again back up the line for the fourth straight season, with sophs Gene Doherty and George Gladstone. Safety Mark Murphy will lead the deep secondary, with his companions to come from Todd Hassert, Dave Lishak, Pete Wise and Brion Applegate.

If Colgate is to jump a notch or two, it'll have to cut down on its ball-handling miscues (59 fumbles, 30 lost), and put some starch in its defense.

IVY LEAGUE

BROWN—It took just two seasons of John Anderson football to give Brown what it hasn't enjoyed in 20 years—back-to-back winning campaigns. And it took a herculean finish to pull up the 1-4 Bears into a 5-4 season. In fact, six measly points separated Brown from the throne room.

Flushed with that season-ending momentum, Brown fans are looking forward to even more improvement—perhaps, even an Ivy Crown, this fall.

The positive-thinking Anderson feels that the Bears "can pick right up where we left off." He points to 34 returning lettermen, including 18 starters, nine on the defensive unit. The frosh sends up some fine-looking prospects, too.

Tackle Phil Bartlett (220) and Paul Koza (220) come back to the defensive front. They'll be supported by several veterans, including tackles Pete Eident and Jim Kilcoyne, ends Mark Pendergast and John Woravka and nose guard Mike Wallace. Linebackers Tom Ford, Ames Ressa and Paul Ser-

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rano (All-Ivy) return, with Steve Rinkus, Mike Bernert and Fred Polacek in reserve. Tom Clark heads up the deep secondary. He's a two-year starter. Safety Frank Pozniak and Mike Herendeen also are back for more duty.

Quarterback might be a problem on offense. Junior Paul Michalko, who stepped into the starting spot at mid-season only to get hurt, returns. But he'll be challenged by Vermont transfer Bob Bateman, the 6½-footer who passed for 1800 yards last fall, second among Division II aerialists. Bateman can also motor the 40 in 4.7.

The two top rushers—Kevin Slattery and Bob McNamara—both return, and should be improved with their experience. In addition, Chuck Maze and Paul Anderson have shown abilities, too. Split end Bob Farnham and tight ends Ken O'Keefe and Bob Fitzpatrick will give the Bears solid receiving.

Center Gary Valerio will anchor a veteran line, with Dan Detore (245) and Eliot Warner (235) being the bulwarks.

The Bruins' two ace kickers also are back. Jose Violante, with a pro-type side-saddle toe, and Mike Dodson, should prove invaluable.

Some new faces to watch are sophs Lou Cole (225 linebacker) Roger Key (175 halfback), Kevin Rooney (215 linebacker) and Kevin Webb (210 tackle).

If Anderson can settle his QB situation quickly, the Bears might take him all the way to the crown.

YALE—The Bulldog co-champions of the Ivy League got cut down pretty heavily at last May's graduation. Eight offensive starters hung up their cleats for caps and gowns, but there still are seven defensive regulars returning.

It's upon this platoon that Carm Cozza must rebuild his 11th Eli operation. Captain and linebacker John Smoot, nose guard Brent Kirk, monster John Cahill, a quick one, and safety Mark McAndrews will fuel a Bulldog defense that could still chew up the Ivies.

The linebacking will be outstanding, with early starter Jack Sellati, retreaded again after injuries, to mate with Smoot, and Tim Knowles, another vet. Scott Rooth and Rog Andrachik, a soph, will help. Besides Cahill and McAndrews, the deep defense will feature Ken Jennings and Vinny Day, with sophs George Rapp and Charlie Weatherspoon expected to see service. End Scott Keller and tackle Ricky Lawrence should lead the line.

Offensively, Gary Fencik is a polished receiver and dangerous in the broken field with kicks. Greg Hall will move in at tight end, if he can outbattle soph Kevin Kelly or Dean Calland. The middle of the line was wiped out, but tackle Charlie Palmer is still flexing his muscles, in bid for All-America. He's 6-2, 265, and could make the "All" teams. Vic Staffieri can handle one guard, with newcomers slated for the other posts, including tackles Jim McDonnell and Bill Radke and guards Dave Humphreville and Steve Carfora.

Only holdover running back is Don Gesicki, third leading rusher. Fullback Rod Gordon will help. Promising frosh are Keith Bassi, shifty Rod Mc-



DAN JIGGETTS heads offensive line of Harvard to make running room for fullback NEAL MILLER, hurt in 1974.



CHARLIE PALMER, Yale offensive tackle, is All-America candidate; teammate GARY FENCIK is top pass catcher.



Clendon and Tim McCarthy. Gone, too is QB Tom Doyle. His replacement will be a fight between back-ups Stone Phillips and Brian Book or sophs John Nubani and Bob Rizzo.

The placekicking will be above average, with Randy Carter returning, but who'll punt? That's one of the many questions Cozza must solve successfully if Yale is to stay on top of the Ivies.

HARVARD—If Joe Restic can uncover a quarterback, the rest of the Ivy League had better watch out. For the Crimson looks much stronger defensively entering the campaign than it was a year ago, and the offensive line and running backs return in numbers, too.

But southpaw Milt Holt has left The Yard, and so has his favorite receiver, All-America Pat McInally, the 1-2 punch that kayoed Yale and gave the Crimson a share of the Ivy title.

Runners Tommy Winn and Neal Miller return to put their crunch on the opposition. Winn led the rushers. Mark Taylor and Tom Lincoln can back 'em up. But who'll direct Restic's "Multiflex" attack. Senior Mike Lynch and junior Steve O'Brien must be given the first shots.

The receivers are abundant. Jim Curry will probably play the split side and, like Pat, can kick, too. Bob McDermott and Tom Hagerty work the tight

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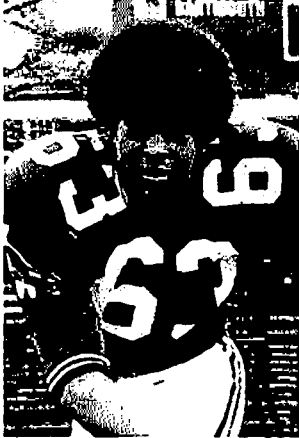
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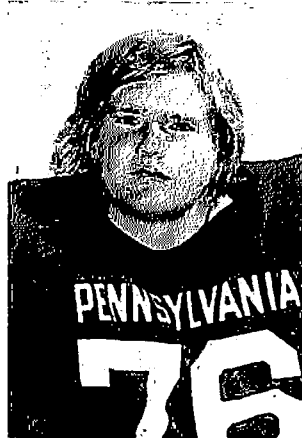
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REGGIE WILLIAMS and SKIP CUMMINS, Dartmouth linebackers, earned All-Ivy honors after 1974 campaign.



BILL PETUSKEY was Penn's leading tackler in '74 with 55 stops and JACK WIXTED again leads Quaker rushers.

side. Returning starters up front are tackle Danny Jiggetts and center Carl Culig, both All-Ivy, plus guards Joe Antonellis and Kevin McCafferty.

The linebacking is solid. Eric Kurzweil and Tom Joyce, return to their regular jobs, with Bill Collatos and Ted Jadick in reserve. George Newhouse is an able "adjuster" (rover). Lanky Fran Cronin, Bill Emper and Jon Judge lead the deep secondary, with Bob Baggott, top frosh last fall, expected to break in.

The forward wall has 235-pound Charlie Kaye at one tackle, with Pete Mee as his running mate. Bill O'Neill, who wasn't in school last fall, and Walt Herbert could handle the ends. Frank Russo could be moved into the vacant middle guard slot.

It appears that Restic has plenty of good people available to make another strong bid for a title, but he's got to quickly find some athletes at the skilled positions to accomplish his ambitions.

DARTMOUTH—The Big Green, the most consistent grid ship among the Ivies for the past decade, finally skidded into the second division last fall, with a 3-6 overall mark. A lack of breakaway running speed, injuries, and a few unlucky bounces finally caught up with them.

Coach Jake Crouthamel, despite the tumble from the heights, still is optimistic about '75. He likes his linebacking, led by All-America candidate Reggie Williams, a 220-pound demon and Skip Cummins, hard-tackling rover. Both were All-Ivies. Back with them to handle linebacking chores are a trio of Kevins—Downing, Curley and Young—all with seasoning. Newcomer Jim Vailas has potential.

The deep secondary should be solid, too, with Dave Van Vliet and Mike Feasel heading it up. Sophs John Carney, Wally Morgus and Chico Denison should move in soon. Up front, ends Dan Murphy and Jeff Rieker both return as starters and Marty Milligan backs 'em up. Soph Gregg Robinson (235) will make a fight for a tackle berth and could beat out the experienced Gene Skibitsky, Jim Clamage or Bob Season.

More consistency and punch is needed out of the offense. The line is fairly solid, with Tom Fleming an able split catcher. Co-Capt. Tom Parnon (225) will handle either a guard or a tackle, with Len Nichols and Pat Sullivan also available again. Phil Ward, Jud Porter and Mike Fitzgerald are others seasoned.

Southpaw Kevin Case and senior Mike Brait will stage a rousing duel for the QB job. Halfback Rollie Griggs came fast late last season and could mate with soph Curt Oberg, up from the frosh. If he can't make the step, try vets Rob Swenson, Frank Wilson or Jack Husack. Sam Coffey is one more soph running back who's promising.

Another soph, Nick Lowery could beat out veteran placekickers Chris Bjelland or Larry Zarker. The punting again will be split by Dirk Nelson and Pete Bernhard.

If Crouthamel can spoon in a little luck, the Green might be back in the thick of it again.

PENNSYLVANIA—A year ago, the Quakers had a young defense and an experienced, explosive attack. The cleats will be on the other shoe this year, with Coach Harry Gamble expecting to present a solid defense. But will he be able to continue to move the football and put all those points up on the board?

Gone are the principals—Beep-Beep Bellizeare, Marty Vaughn and Bob Bucola—who triggered Penn's pyrotechnics. But 17 lettermen return, including outstanding runner Jack Wixted. He led the Red and Blue ground-gaining last fall. But the rest of the backfield parts must be found to mate with Jack. Wide receiver Carl Smith probably will move back into the QB role.

The offensive line should be sound, with such starters back as tight ends Ron Kellogg and Mark Iwanowski, guard John Meyer and center Ed Bondner. Don Haines and Bill Boynter, capable reserves, figure to move in.

Eight starters return on defense. End Bill Seibolt (240) and tackle Bill Petuskey (220) will be stick-outs up front. John Petit and Bob Mardula are solid linebackers. Jeff Koury (205) is a fine monster, with such deep backs as Don Page, Joe Ryncavage, Bruce Leonetti and Joe Santacroce back for more duty.

Gamble's Veer has produced more than 10,000 yards of offense in three years, and he feels that it will continue to put points up on the board.

Some sophs who might get pressed into duty quickly are quarterbacks Bob Tripicchio and Dave Strasko, running back Ted Berry and offensive linemen Mike Whylings and Jose Serra. Steve Glasgow (250) looks like the best defensive lineman coming in.

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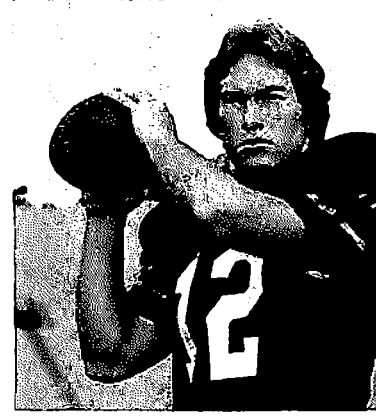
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DON FANELLI, power runner, hopes to beat injury jinx at Cornell; and **BRUCE STARKS** gained 619 yards in '74.

NEIL CHAMBERLAIN is a prime target for Princeton. **QB RON BEIBLE**, who passed for 1136 yards last year.

PRINCETON—Bob Casciola lifted the tattered Tigers to the .500 mark in his second season in Old Nassau, and more progress is anticipated this fall.

To start with, Princeton has a solid 1-2 backfield punch returning in Ron Beible, who could become the passingest quarterback in Tiger history and Bob Reid, premier full. True, classy Walt Snickenberger has departed, with Casciola to pick his successor from returning vet Mike Carter or upcoming sophs Bobby Isom or John Anderson.

The offensive line will be veteran, with All-Ivy guard Joe Zajec leading the charge. Mating with him again will be Jack Basta. Dan Calvo will be over the ball and tackle Kevin Fox is still available. All League receiver Neil Chamberlain returns as does Kevin Gropp and Don Fournier.

Starting ends Aaron Satterthwaite and Mark Faurie lead the defense, with Ted Schiller and Randy Gress at the tackles again. Steve Lang heads the linebackers along with Ken Frederick. Jay Dawson and Jim Williamson will play nose up on the ball.

Capt. Ed Sheridan will lead the deep secondary, with starters Tom Palmer and Rich Monaghan also coming back for more action.

Junior Mike Stein returns to handle the punting, along with Scott Morrison, a solid placement booter.

Some other sophs to peek at will be receivers Glenn Robinson, QB Kirby Lockhart, nose guard Doug Land and linebacker John Wilson.

There's more depth in Old Nassau, and that should help lift the Tigers over the .500 mark again.

CORNELL—Two consecutive 3-5-1 seasons after a string of winners made the Big Red make a coaching move. So ex-Stanford defensive aide George Seifert (pronounced SEE-fert) has replaced Jack Musick.

George's biggest problems will be finding a passer to replace last year's offense (Kevin Sigler), keeping super runner Don Fanelli's cranky knees in working order, and starching up a defense which yielded 28 points a game in its Ivy losers.

Fanelli, now a senior, has started both varsity campaigns like he was a reasonable facsimile of his record-breaking predecessor, Ed Marinaro, only to spend the last half of the season nursing his hinges. Tim LaBeau, who can also catch the ball, and full-back Kevin Scott, are vets who can help Fanelli with the toting, as can new sophs Larry Skoczylas, and Neal Hall. Power runner Brian Lasda (210),

out of school last fall, provides the needed thump.

The receiving is perfect. All-Ivy split end Bruce Starks (who caught 47 for 619 yards) was fifth nationally, and tight end Don Wierbinski (35 for 400) can grab 'em in traffic. Flanker Eamon McEneaney provides the deep threat. But who can get 'em the ball? Injured Bob Balash, junior Joe Mollica and soph Garland Brown all will get a chance.

Up front tackle John Shavers is a huge (290). John Brown will mate with him. Guards John Phillips and Joe Meaney return and Mark DuBois can snap the ball. Sophs to be given the onceover are end Terry Lee, tackles Tony Anzalone and Dave Shell.

The kicking will be good again, as senior Bernie Szynalski will be available for punting and place-kicking.

Defensively, Seifert plans to mix it up more. Most impressive defender is senior tackle or middle guard Steve Horrigan (235). Ends returning are Dave Hill, Don Versteeg and Steve Garcia, while Bob Hall returns at tackle. Jim Lorditch is the best linebacker coming back, though Cal Washington, Don Papich and Bob Grasso all saw service. There's a flock of experienced personnel in the deep secondary, notably Scott Millhouse, Nollie Wood, Mark Kapsky and Dave Johnson. Soph safetyman Bill Seward could move in, as could backers Joe Hoover and Ron McCurdy, tackles Bob Ainslie and Bob Weggler and end Larry Humphrey.

No doubt, Seifert will be spending a lot of time scrambling his new people trying to find the right combinations.

COLUMBIA—Coach Bill Campbell took his lumps (1-8) in his rookie season last fall, but sees some light at the end of the tunnel. He's got 15 starters back, and some newcomers are expected to step in and fill big shoes. The frosh were 4-2 last year.

Offensive end should be strong, with Bob Watson moving over from flanker to tight end. Frank Brown and Dave McAvoy are excellent receivers. The rest of the offensive frontier is a question, with center Adolph Guerra, guard Rocky Klanac and tackle Keith Hollinger being the stickouts.

Co-Capt. Mike Delaney probably will be at QB, with Kevin Burns backing him up. Veteran running backs Doug Jackson, Mike Hanse and Bob Dubose must hold off sophs Jay Hickey, Kirk Combs, Rich Allen and Bruce Stephens.

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Defensively, end Phil Jenkins, though small, is outstanding. Will Horton and Jim Kelleher will mate with him. Mark Joseph, Tim Towler and Steve Galasky will probably handle the tackles. Sophs Keith Clark and Kevin Gilhuly (225) will see service. Mike Yeager is a fine middle guard.

Chip Hillenbrand and Ray Rahamin return as the linebackers, while Jim Tryforos, Tim Kayworth and Bob Schuchts worked as the monstermen. Sophs Steve Vanek and Marty Fischer are well-regarded. The deep secondary will be built around vets Kevin Berry, Ken Gregory and Eddie Backus. Marty Cicco and Dave Spinosa are promising sophs. So is soph place-kicker Bob McKeon, who could win a game with his accurate toe.

MIDDLE FIVE

DELAWARE—It seems like the Blue Hens have so much momentum that all Coach Tubby Raymond has to do is wind 'em up and away they go. The Hens scratched out another exceptional season last fall, winning 12 games (and how many college elevens can make that statement?). They battled their way into the NCAA Division II finals before bowing to Central Michigan. It was their second straight year in the playoffs.

If Raymond is to hitch the Hens up for a repeat performance, he'll have to rebuild his offensive forward wall, for graduation wiped 'em out from end to end, including record-breaking split receiver Bill Cubit. Runner Vern Roberts, who motored for 1248 yards leaves big shoes to fill, too.

Three starters return in the backfield—QB Bill Zwaan (108 x 214 for 1628 yards and 13 TD's), halfback Tom James and fullback Nate Beasley, the leading rusher. The latter workhosed for 1397 yards in 236 trips. Greg Perry, Bob Sabol and Larry Wagner lend support at the running spots, while Jim Maskas and Ben Belicic back up Zwaan.

Best of the forwards figures to be ends Rich Fugazzi and Al Sowden, tackle Bob Green (235) and guards Bob Patton, Bob Toresco and Jeff Hoffman. Bob Mattiola is over the ball.

Nine regulars are included in the 14 lettermen coming back on defense. The ends—Sam Miller and Tom Bosher—are strong, as is 257-pound tackle Paul Toth. Linebacker Curt Morgan and deep back Rich

Falcione are other two-year starters. Deep backs John Witsch and Bob Henry also saw starting action.

Raymond is looking to a very strong freshman group for replacement parts. Included in their 3-1 record was a 20-14 upset of Penn State.

The key to an eighth straight Lambert Cup is a quick rebuilding of the offensive line. If that's accomplished the Hens should have another banner year.

LEHIGH—The Engineers, after two sparkling campaigns, are pinning their '75 hopes on a solid defensive platoon that returns 12 lettermen, including eight regulars from a 7-3 vehicle that closed fast, winning its final five.

The offense, by contrast, is Coach Fred Dunalp's big headache. The line got wiped out, and QB Joe Alleva is gone, too, along with classy kicking specialist Dave Mancosh.

Top star returning is 200-pound Rod Gardner, who tallied 16 touchdowns last year to rank with the nation's scoring leaders. He can play either tail or fullback, mates well with Mark Weaver. Tackle Mark Orcutt should pace the forward wall. Larry Henshaw figures to move in at tight end, with Joe Sterrett taking over the controls at QB. Bob Liptak can go get the ball.

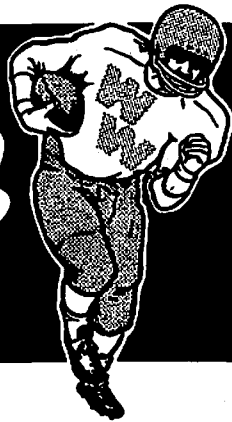
Defensively, the situation is bright. Returning starters are end Ron Ross, tackle Dan McKinney, linebackers Stan Fendryk, John Healy and Jerry Mullane, with deep backs Ted Kukawski, Jimmy Dutt and Jack Tracy all on deck for more duty. Others who should see work are Jeff Armstrong and Rick Eskin in the secondary, linebacker John Gift and tackle John Matt.

The schedule is not soft, with four Division I teams—Army, Penn, Colgate, Rutgers—all on the chart.

BUCKNELL—Last year was a building year for the Bisons, and they're hoping that they learned their lessons well and can improve on a 2-8 mark.

Top gridder is Ralph Turri, 225-pound linebacker who again figures to lead the Bison defense. Newcomers Bill Clifford and Tom Hislop should help Ralph back up what figures to be a strong defensive line. Ends Jim Nesbitt (205) and Dave Ogden (205) both return, as does tackle Chuck Bagdy

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(210) and nose guard Clyde Stroman (196). Don Reh, who missed most of last year with injuries, will return for tackle duty.

The defensive backfield is still Bucknell's deepest concern. A year ago it was young and inexperienced. Returning are Charlie Hagan and Tom Murray, with Steve Holmes and Rick Kanaskie new faces to watch.

Offensively, the Bisons like fullback Rick Wardrop (185) and wingback Mike Pensabene (180). Both are seasoned. Quarterbacks John Burian and Kerry Snow, both rangy and strong, combined last year to hit on 121 of 237 passes for more than 1400 yards. Other backs who'll make tracks are Mike Tanchuk, Skip Waddell, Dave Devonshuk, and Vince Woody.

The wide ends will be okay, manned by Greg Clagett and Larry Brunt. A healthy Dennis Damaschke could fill the void at tight end. Buzz McGrath and Pete Hall could fill in. The interior line needs help. Center Mike Davidson and guard Mark Strzelecki return. Tackle Jim Daken and Marc Duda plus guard Tom Kadien could fill out the frontier.

The sudden death of Coach Fred Prender left a large heartache in the Bucknell gridiron program. Bob Curtis formerly of Franklin & Marshall succeeds him.

GETTYSBURG—Former Norwich coach Joe Sabol has stepped into the coaching duties for the Bullets, with Gene Haas resuming only his role as the athletic director.

Sabol, a Penn State grad, no doubt will retool the Bullets, who did a commendable job struggling to a 4-5 season, a considerable improvement.

A fine nucleus of 29 lettermen will greet Sabol, including 16 on the offense. Heading it up are quarterbacks Bob Crawford and Mike Hackett, who gave way at the end when injured to freshmen Mike Ryan and Mike Sharrett.

The running back ranks are thin, with Chuck Stefanic and Kirby Scott showing the only experience. The receivers are able, with Mike Haas, Stan Gray, Bill Bowe, Jay Howell and Steve Smith all showing class. Bob Duels and Charlie Bricker head up the offensive line.

The defensive backfield is intact, Jeff Mang and Ed Battisfore return as the cornermen, Mark Nobile and Jerry Lynott as the safeties. The line needs help. The tackles could be all right, with Vets Vic Kalman and Ray Hayes back along with soph Jim Sperry. Craig Ryno looks like the most capable end. Linebackers returning with game experience are Bryant Meckley, Craig Rineman and Bob Boyd.

LAFAYETTE—If the Leopards are to scratch out better than a 3-7 campaign, Neil Putnam had better slip their attack a pep pill. It averaged only 10 points per game last season.

Key to improvement is the return to health of top QB Mark Jones (190). He played well in the Army defeat, hitting for 248 yards of passes, but Dave DelBello had to take over after Jones got hurt. Orlando Wright gives the offense a solid running threat for he can go all the way. Courtenay

Hough and Mike Blaine and Steve Bull pace the receiving corps. Senior center Gary Haroutunian (215) is the lone other starter back on the offensive front.

Defensively, the line returns. Ends Mike Yuhas (205), Kirk Harmon (195) and John Taylor (200) are back, with John Grimes (215) and Ken Brown (230) filling in at the tackles. Dan Miller is a solid middle guard. The linebacking should be strong. Don Short, Dick Galbally, Rich Stancato and Dave Osleger were all starters. Mike Kline and Greg Shugars return in the secondary. Bill Findle, hurt all last year, looks promising.

Kicking should be solid for Jim O'Sullivan and Tom Crouse, who shared the punting duties, both return. Prime candidate for the placement work is soph Gerry Galvin.

YANKEE CONFERENCE

NEW HAMPSHIRE—The Wildcats won four of their last five games and hope that their momentum will carry them on to an improved '75 campaign. Coach Bill Bowes' defense looks impressive, with eight starters returning, along with four others who started several games.

The tackles are massive. Ray D'Ambrosia (240) and Manny Bendana (250) will make foes earn every foot. Doug Stockbridge and Rick Kelly return as the starting ends, with Chuck Wroblewski and Bill Dedrick pushing them. Super linebacker Dave Rozumek (220) returns, with Charley McMahon expected to move into a vacancy. Glenn Myers, Jeff Hegan, Bruce Huther and Jim Martin all are seasoned at the inside spots. Two newcomers—Bill Leone and Paul Remick—could surprise. Deep backs Dave Bettencourt and Mark Etro will probably mate with Sean McDonnell, a fine prospect.

Offensively, Bowes likes QB Jeff Allen, who sparked the team in its last five games. He hit on 29 x 63 for five direct scores. Chuck Coffey and Steve Wholley will back him up. Dennis Ouellette and Ray DiPietro are experienced receivers, but Vermont transfer Paul Jarry and soph Lee Pope are solid, too. Paul Rutigliano is a talented incoming frosh. The interior line is seasoned. Center Kevin Martell (220), tight end Mike Moroney (225) returns as starters, as do guards Wayne Smith (230) and John Merrill (227) and tackle Grady Vigneau (240). The 'Cats are big. Soph Bill Wharff will help as an end.

Tailbacks Danny Losano and Al Parchuck can spell each other and keep the heat on the opposition. Losano averaged 100 yards a starting effort. Bill Foley returns at full, but must beat out Lou Porrazzo and John Buckley.

The 'Cats are definite contenders for the Yankee crown this fall.

MAINE—The Black Bears surprised a lot of folks last fall by sneaking up on a few people and tying for the Yankee Conference title. More of the same fireworks are expected up in the Hills this fall where Walt Abbott has 17 of his 22 starters returning.

The entire offensive line, headed by tackle Rick

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Unterstein (225) return. And the Bears backfield of QB John Cosgrove, Mark DeGregorio, Rudy Di-pietro and Jim Hood is already being talked about as being one of the strongest in the school's grid history.

Besides Unterstein, the other returnees up front are ends John Dumont and Mike O'Day, tackle Andy Soldati, guards Craig Gaspard and Chris Edwardson and center Gerry Tautkus.

Linebacker Scott Shulman and safety Jack Leggett lead a strong defense. Shulman, a remarkable player, is coming off of surgery as is DeGregorio, the team's top totter.

Other defenders to watch are linebacker Fred Royer, end Rudy Rawcliffe, middle guard Dave Smith, and John Wardwell and Rich McCormick who fit well in the back court with Leggett.

Not too many frosh are expected to crack the starting units, though Abbott is inheriting some outstanding prospects. Among them are QB Dennis Emerson, fullback Ron Waldron, and tackles Kevin Czech and Paul Desmarais. The latter pair could be heard from, for both starting tackles graduated.

CONNECTICUT—The UConnns are a-building in order to face their more difficult schedules, which now will include Navy, VMI and other division I elevens.

That's bad news to the rest of the Yankee Conference which had already encountered enough trouble from the Huskies.

Coach Larry Naviaux, now in his third season, plans to field another stout defensive unit, but he hopes to beef up his air program in order to put more points on the board.

"We were extremely young—last year was a learning year," he explains the 4-6 season, but a 3-3 mark in Conference play.

Thanks to a solid defense, the UConnns were never embarrassed. Defensive specialist Marty Bird returns at cornerback, and he'll work with interception artist safety Rich Fenton and tackle Paul Mariano. They're the keys to the platoon. Others who'll be back among the 32 lettermen overall, are ends Jim Bree, John Lis, Kirk Ferentz and Wes Spears, tackles Nick DeVito, Dave Jacobs, Don Juall, Dan Rose; guards Mike Bove, Joe Corbo and Aundre Thompson, and Rich Lee, Keith Simmons, and Jeff Brown in the secondary.

Offensively, Larry has two quarterbacks. Bernie Palmer and Lou Mancari shared the starting spot last year, and their ace target, Allan MacLellan is also back. He caught 32 last fall to snap several marks. Jim O'Keefe and Leroy Williams are back to work with MacLellan. Pete Cathey, John Laverty and Frank Stewart return at the tackles, with Anthony Cole at one guard and Mike O'Roark over the ball. Rich Hedgepeth, Rick Mason, Barry Baker and Russ Clarke are all back for more toting duties.

The team's leading scorer—kicker Greg Sinay—is back, too. He had nine field goals, 14 of 15 PAT's. But what he'd like, would be more opportunities. So would Naviaux and all Huskie fans.

MASSACHUSETTS—Injuries to key people hurt Coach Dick MacPherson's bid for a more successful '74

campaign, but surgery should make QB Fred Kelliher and defensive end Ed McAleney ready to lead this year's Minutemen. Still, UMass did manage a share of the Yankee crown, despite a disappointing 5-6 season overall.

In all there are 30 lettermen for Coach Mac to choose from, with an experienced offensive line ready to protect Kelliher and open up for fullback Jim Torrance (215), a very punishing runner. Speedier halfbacks will help, too. Keith Lang, Rich Jessamy and Jerry Mondalto all can motor.

Co-Capt. Ned Deane and Russ Cooke are proven guards, while Ross Schubarth and Tom Harris are experienced tackles. Steve Falvey and Dave Williamson will split the center role. Lee Harriman will move into the tight end spot from the split side, with Mark Finnerty and John Gladchuk working at the wide spot. Brian McNally will back up Kelliher at the controls.

Two proven kickers—punter John Romboli and placekicker Greg Sprout both return.

Defensively, McAlene and tackle Dennis Fenton are solid up front. The inside linebackers—Steve Telender, John Toner, Pete McCarty and John Penny are experienced. Bob Levine and Ron Harris both are capable safeties.

Biggest headaches appear to be depth up front and outside linebacking, plus that old injury bug-aboo. A lighter schedule might be just made to order for the Minutemen.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY—Paul Kemp gave the Terriers a winner (5-4-1) in only his second season, and he's hopeful that another strong defensive performance will be able to keep BU in business again this fall.

"We hope to have a rugged defense again," Kemp feels. Defense kept the Terriers close all last fall, and only once were they beaten by more than a touchdown. However, losses have been heavy, eight defensive starters and five from the offense having graduated.

QB Greg Geiger has an uncanny arm and some able receivers. Pete Kessel grabbed 24 for 412 yards, with Jim Brown, Steve Richards and Tony Molock also being outstanding. The running back duties will probably fall to Joe Driscoll and Rog Strandberg, both of whom saw only limited duty.

Senior tackle Dom Lalli looks like the spearhead of the defensive platoon. He was in on 85 tackles last season. Linebacker Mitch McKeller and deep back Bruce Rich are the other returning starters. Rich will also handle the place-kicking.

RHODE ISLAND—Coach Jack Gregory has 27 lettermen to select from to build his '75 machine, 11 of whom started last fall. It's the Diamond Jubilee grid year for the Rams, so hopes are high for an improvement over last year's third place spot in the Yankee Conference.

To do so, the defensive secondary must be completely rebuilt, and three of the down linemen are gone, too. Depth is a problem. End Mike Tunie is a good one, and so is middle guard Bill Meekins. Linebackers Bill McCagney and Ernie Myers should

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stabilize the defense until it becomes seasoned. Bob Mitchell could be the safety.

Offensively, Rich Remondino, the nation's 16th best rusher, returns. He averaged 5.1 yards a trip. Co-Capt. Bill Britt is a fine split end, snagging 41 passes. Jim Jackson could move in at tight end QB Steve Crone probably will be at the controls. The tackles are solid—Jeff Williams (224) and Cliff Perry (220), a transfer from Army.

Wally Christensen is a class kicker, while some sophs to glance at are center Ken Duval, end Lee Holden, fullback Rich Moser and tackle Ian Pyka.

The Rams have an intriguing inaugural. They'll host St. Mary's of Nova Scotia, the Canadian National champs, in the first regular-season international contest in URI history.

Most eye-filling of the frosh incomers is Mike Jauron, 200-pound QB and kid brother of Dick, Detroit Lion safety.

LITTLE THREE

AMHERST—Veteran Jim Ostendarp, who's been tooling up the Lord Jeffs for the past 16 seasons, is not too happy about 1975. A lack of depth haunts him.

A return to health of running backs Bryant Christ and Bob O'Brien would lift the Jeffs a couple of notches. Both were missed last fall. The pluses will be Dave Comerford (240) a fine returning end, and senior QB Dave Driscoll is set at the controls again. Lil' Jeff Hogan can scoot. Geoff Miller is a rugged tackle.

Defensively, the Jeffs are one-deep. Defensive ends Dan Wack and Art Murphy appear strong, as does middle guard Mike Fiori, and two fine deep backs in Al Chalifoux and Mark Kotfila.

In all, 11 starters have departed, and Coach Ostendarp hopes that he can replace them with some help from the upcoming frosh, such as QB Mark Newman, receivers Sean Clancy and Bill Swiacki (6-6, 220) son of the great Columbia end, and safety Bill Wallace.

WILLIAMS—Coach Bob Odell's 7-1 vehicle won its fourth straight Little Three crown last year, thanks to a stingy defense that held opponents to just 88 yards rushing per game. Graduation hit this platoon hard, but cornerback Scott Perry, ends Jack Costello and Tim Mages and two fine linebackers, Carm Palladino and Emmett Creahan form a solid nucleus.

QB Jim Baldwin, who clicked on 57 per cent of his heaves returns to run the show again. Don Wallace and Bill Whelan back him up. Split end Dave Parker, who caught 22 passes, is a top receiver along with Pete Eshelman (18 catches).

The starting halfbacks are gone, but fitting replacements are available with Tom Redden leading the way. Up front, guard John Solar, center Pete Hanson and tackle Tim Dunn return for more duty.

Some eye-filling sophs who'll get their varsity baptism are guard Ken Schoetz, tackles Paul Zabreski and Pete Tuttle, middle guard Mike Bernay, tight end Herb McCormick, and halfbacks Scott Harrington and Ed Weiss.

It looks like another solid team at Williams.

WESLEYAN—Last year's Cardinals got a lot of seasoning while taking their 2-6 lumps. This fall, there are 30 returning lettermen, with Coach Bill Macdermott proud of his two veteran lines.

Tackle Dennis Harrington and end Rob Williams along with linebackers Dave Matteodo and Matt Hoey will lead the defense together with stickout safety Steve Imbriglia. End John McVicar, guard Steve Beauchamp and tackle Don Dandelske got in their seasoning, too.

Brad Vanacore, who clicked on 40 per cent of his passes, again will run the offense, dealing the ball off to halfbacks John Blessis and Kevin Rose. Center Jeff Gray will again snap the ball, with tackles Bill Ahearn, Ken Langley and Pete Newman, guard Dave Thomas and receivers Paul Nelson and John Gaebe all back.

OTHER INDEPENDENTS

TRINITY—After dropping its opener, Coach Don Miller's Bantams went on to win its last seven in a row. More of the same is expected this fall, if the defensive secondary can be caulked up. Co-Capt. Steve Thoren returns at one cornerback post, but his companions are missing.

Middle guard Vic Novak is a good one. Capt. Gene Rose again will lead the attack. He clicked on 50 per cent of his passes and directed a solid ball-control attack, which featured fullback Pat Hefernan's running and receiving. John Connelly is a crack defensive end, who should make All New England again.

KINGS POINT—Commander George Paterno has 14 of 22 starters returning from his 6-3 ship of a year ago. The Mariners won their last four, but the keys to this year's club will be the discovery of quarterback and placekicking replacements.

Jim Pacileo looks like the new signal-caller. He's a fine ball handler, but will he pass well enough? Soph Bill Burdick, untried, will do the kicking.

Ends Frank Conti and Greg Matthews will lead a solid defense. The running back situation is rosey, with Brian Streaser, Paul Brown and Jack Castagna set to go again. Tackle Bob Berger, who blocks up front, is a Little All-America candidate.

C.W. POST—Don Anile is revving up a powerhouse. Returning is the majority of last year's solid club, plus All-America QB Ed Powers of two years ago. He had to sit out last fall with injuries. Don Giovinco and Bill Lewis are crack running backs, and wide receiver Mike Hintz can go get the ball.

Kurt Hoffman is a fine linebacker, with Ken Rehders handling a safety spot expertly. Up front on the offensive line are such holdovers as Gary Flur, Frank Altomare, Steve Boxer and Mike Cohen.

The Pioneers are expecting a big drive in '75.

HOFSTRA—Bill Leete has been elevated to the big shoes vacated by Howdy Myers' retirement, and he sees definite improvement over last year's 1-9-1 ag-

gregation. Starting QB Bob Girolamo, a fine passer, will be a soph now, and his experience of a year ago should make him that much better. Co-Capt. Bob Russo is a fine offensive tackle, while Co-captain Bob Lombardo, who picked off a half-dozen passes, is an expert safety.

The defensive line should be solid, with Eric Kitt a stickout. Running back Kevin Huff and wide receiver Tony Carter, who latched onto 42 passes, will help Girolamo spark the attack.

ALFRED—Among small colleges, Division III variety, Alex Yunevich's Saxons had the best dee-fense in the nation. Unfortunately, it wasn't enough, for it only produced a 4-4 mark.

However, the veteran Alex has some solid parts back, including linebackers Barry Gibson, Frank Logan and John Peterson. Tackles Steve Stanton and Tom Cappon also return as does Steve Lester. In the deep secondary returning, there's Dave Brown, Bob Bolder and Al Newton, seasoned now after their soph seasons.

Offensively, Chris Kristoff will again direct traffic, with Tim O'Neil and Charlie Stanley, also a solid receiver along with Gregg Thomas and Jon Ewanich. Jon's brother Jay does the punting while Stanley handles the placement work.

GEORGETOWN—Scotty Glacken will be greeted by 25 lettermen from a 6-2 season. That's not bad to take for starters. His wishbone will be fueled by such hard runners as Danny Lopez, Dave Druskin, John Sullivan and John McShea. Senior QB Tom Gargan again will direct the attack. Best targets will be George Yeonas and Paul Kuhns, who grabbed 25 and 12 passes, respectively. Most of the frontier returns.

The defense was hard hit, though the line should be strong. Bob Amato and Bill Glacken (brother of the coach) head it up. One linebacker will be John Boland. Dan O'Malley and Joe Wesner will be at the corners. Eddie Delgado will again do a good job kicking.

AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL—AIC has a solid nucleus returning, including 10 of 11 defensive starters. The front four of ends Fran Lavigueur and Butch Campagna and tackles Pete Storozuk and Ron Carson is really eye-filling. It averages 6-2, 225. The linebacking, too, is veteran with Ken Little and Ken Buckley handling the outside, and Dave Grabus, Dave Dunaj and Norm McMahon all inside. Terry Fitzgerald, Terry Randolph and Steve Neri, all sophs last fall, form a more experienced defensive secondary.

Jim Jagiello looks like Coach Milt Piepul's new QB. Mated with him will be speedster Dave Solheim and blockbuster Greg Davis. Up front, the Jackets will be big, headed by tackles Mike Wall and Tom Fitzpatrick and tight end Tom Peno.

COAST GUARD—Commander Otto Graham has 17 starters back from last year's 4-6 ship, including classy senior QB Wayne Hollingsworth, who's thrown for 1850 during the past two falls. There's

running to go with him, headed by Mike Moore, Jim Law, Bruce Drahos and Mick Butler. Flanker Ed Richards is a burner.

Center Glenn Herrmann, guard Floyd Lissy and tackle Mark Thomas head up the frontier. The kicking should be in good hands, with punter Sandy Ogg and placement artist Phil Heyl returning.

Defensively, tackles Mike Grimes and Jim Orgill and end Dave Van Patten are the leaders. Jim Freeman, Jim Duvall and Steve Cable head up the linebacking. Bill Bryant, Ogg and Tom Vorholt pad out a solid deep secondary.

FORDHAM—The Rams have handed the coaching reins to 34-year old Dave Rice, former Western Connecticut mentor. He oozes optimism, thanks to a fine nucleus of 30 returning letterwinners.

Heading up his contingent is tailback Owen Ward, a possible All-East candidate, and linebacker Rich Gottsegen. Pierre Davis is a definite break-away threat anytime he touches the ball.

Others who'll be solid are running back Dennis DeMeo, top receiver Kevin McQuade, and defender Bob Bryant.

SOUTHERN CONN.—The Owls are another one with experience this fall. Coach Harry Shay will build his offensive line around Co-Capt. Steve Kelleher, along with vets Len Bonn, Steve Minichello, and Bob Dowd. Split end Hugh Dwyer, who caught 33 passes returns. The QB job could go to either junior Ed Swicklas or soph Paul Buckanavage. Brian Small again is the leading ball-toter.

Defensively, linebacker Steve DeFranco heads up the charge. Tackles Doug Groggin and Jeff Maher and deep back Phil LaRosa are also cornerstones. Placekicker Jim Satagaj, who hit 22 of 24 PAT's and three field goals, has a true toe.

NORTHEASTERN—Coach Bo Lyons has 30 lettermen returning to build on last year's 6-4 campaign, and they're nicely distributed between the two platoons.

No. 1 headache is a replacement for the departed QB Chris Aylward, who set most of the Husky aerial marks. Rhett Lewis and Mark McHugh are the top contenders. Five of the six leading rushers are back, headed by Tom Burke, Kevin Foley, Rick Barnard and Russ McDonald. Mike Budrow, Art Karopolis and Steve Cesari figure to be the leading catchers. Linemen Wayne Bourgoise, Lou Macholl, Mack Noblin, Mike Harris and Joe Ullman will now be sophs. They all started late last fall.

Defense should be strong, too. End Gerry Shea, tackle Stan Hillier and guard Kevin Crowley will head it up front, with Jack Dawley, Rich Morrill, Rich Kiley leading the deep backs. Mike Gries will handle the PAT's, while Lewis, who averaged 35.6 with his punts, is returning, too.

COLBY—Coach Dick McGee, beginning his ninth season is pretty well fixed at linebacking, where Tri-Capt. Anthony Shupin and Hank Newman continue to hold forth.

Tri-Capt. Jim Hayes will again handle the offensive controls, while the third leader Jack Parker,

is a solid defensive tackle. Middle guard Terry Fjeldheim works well alongside of Parker. Some 20 lettermen are back, giving McGee a solid nucleus.

ROCHESTER—Injuries hurt the Rivermen last fall, and two of their losses in a 3-5 season were by one point. So Coach Pat Stark figures to run the ball more this year to develop more balance.

Top returnee is Ralph Gebhardt, Little-A-A deep back, who's intercepted 26 passes in 26 games during his varsity career. Quentin Call, the other co-captain is a top offensive guard. Tight end John Badowski is a good one.

QB will again be Brian Pasley, who threw for better than 1000 yards. Mike Corp and Brian Heagney will handle the running chores. Defensively, Ed Kucharski, George Kondraske and Herm Nied are seasoned down linemen, while linebacker Ron Spadafora is tops, too.

JUNIATA—Walt Nadzak, who's been cranking out exceptional teams at Juniata, thinks that he'll be strong up front this fall, thanks to the promotion of several frosh. Some 32 returning lettermen from last year's 7-2 squad will mate with them, including 16 starters.

Strong safety Bob Devine and cornerbacks Steve Lehman and Dave Cortazzo head up a solid defense, with linebacker Barry Hartley and linemen Stu Jackson and Don Page being standouts.

Receivers Scott Magley and Dave Wichrowski should catch a lot of passes. Daryl Long and Rich Madey will handle the totting chores.

ITHACA—Coach Jim Butterfield picked up the Lambert Bowl with his 9-0 Bombers and got 'em all the way to the Division III NCAA finals before losing a 10-8 thriller to Central Iowa.

Some 21 letterwinners will be missing, but hopes are high for a fifth straight winning campaign. Pace-setters in '75 should be quarterback Jerry Boyes and defensive tackle Larry Czarnecki, the co-captains. Split end Bill Bryant should be Boyes' favorite target. Will Carney and Dave Pitzer will line up as the running backs.

Tackle Lou Palazzi is the only interior lineman back. End Jim Szczerba, linebacker Ron DiMartino and deep backs Gary Bucci and Mike Bond will lend a big hand on defense.

ROCHESTER TECH—Coach Lou Spiotti likes his big, defensive tackles, Dave Gibson and Pete Van Peursem. And he also feels that Ken Wegner, linebacker, will make more than his share of tackles.

A newcomer expected to have impact on the offense is quarterback Paul Adamo, a lean, lanky 205-pounder, though he must beat out incumbent Rich Holroyd. Offensive tackle John Whiteford packs a big charge. Other names that should be heard from up front are Sal Baggetta, Jeff Holcomb, Al Wahl and Dave Hept.

TUFTS—New coach Paul Pawlak made a few miles in his rookie season, bringing the Jumbos from 1-7 to 3-5 in his rookie year. Twenty returning starters

make '75 look even rosier. Tailbacks Tim Whelan and Mike Collonna will spearhead the attack behind a veteran offensive line. Darryl Brown can scoot with kicks and passes.

Cornerback Donnie Moore, one of the few seniors returning is the cornerstone of a defense that gave up more than 3000 yards. Improvement here is needed if Tufts is to jump another notch or two.

SPRINGFIELD—The Springfield Chiefs hope to give their coach Ted Dunn a suitable going-away present come fall. They'd like to send the veteran of 18 campaigns out a winner, Ted retiring at the end of the season.

Two defensive stickouts, guard Roy Samuelson and linebacker Ken Mitchell will pace the platoon that hopes to lift Dunn's troops after a 4-6 season. Tackle Tom McCabe will anchor the offensive line, with tight end Kevin Monohan also being a stand-out. Mike Lasorsa and Bruce Alicandro are back to carry the ball again, while Soph Bob Weller should move into the vacant QB job.

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT—It's a big rebuilding year for Bill Loika, but center Mike Walton returns along with tight end Reggie Wheeler, guard Nick DeLucia and halfback John Companello. This quartet should make the offense go.

Defensive tackle Jeff Spittel is tested. Brian Hickey, Fred Loud and Bill McMahon will battle it out for QB. Fullback Rex Atwood could lead the ground-gainers. A repeat of last year's 4-5-1 mark might be difficult.

FRANKLIN & MARSHALL—The F & M Diplomats, who went 9-0 last fall, their second perfect mark in three years, have been performing miracles. And there's all sorts of optimism that the Big Blue will make a strong run for this year's Lambert Bowl (Division III honors). They have won 32 of their last 35 games.

Quarterback Joe Coviello, a 190-pound junior who's chalked up more than 2,500 yards of total offense, returns to run the attack. He has two ace running backs ready to roll again—Ted D'Amico and Tom Donaldson.

Defensively, safety Lee Woolam, linebacker Dave Perry and tackle Bill Kushubar all return to make the platoon solid.

F & M's incoming frosh represent the best prospects in the school's grid history.

ALBANY STATE—The Great Danes have been flexing their grid muscles under Bob Ford and turned in a perfect 9-0 season last fall. Can they repeat?

Well, the schedule is considerably tougher, what with such new faces as Ithaca, Albright and Norwich on the chart. But the starting backfield of QB John Bertuzzi and running backs Tom DeBlois, Orin Griffin and Glenn Sowalskie returns intact. Six of the offensive line return, too, led by center Andy Lee and tackle Dom Roncone.

The defense had the losses and therefore will create the most problems. Frank Villanova, 225, is a solid tackle.

PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE

Western Division

1. West Chester
2. Millersville
3. East Stroudsburg
4. Cheyney
5. Kutztown
6. Bloomsburg
7. Mansfield

Eastern Division

1. Slippery Rock
2. Edinboro
3. Indiana
4. Clarion
5. Shippensburg
6. Lock Haven
7. California

Eastern Division

WEST CHESTER—The Golden Rams lost 16 starters but Coach John Furlow has great faith in the replacements all of whom saw game action. The offensive line, led by tackles Rich Hall (210) and Jack Simon (208), is the strong point. Running backs Herb Mills and Chip Zawoiski, quarterback Chuck Menas and split end Mike O'Connor all have experience. Linebacker Gary Smith anchors the defense.

MILLERSVILLE—The Marauders enjoyed their best season (8-1) in history last year. Coach Gene Carpenter will rebuild his offensive backfield around speedster Mike Squires. Guard Mark Rigby is the top performer on an experienced offensive line. Linebacker Greg Meyers and tackle Larry Bowe are key players on defense.

EAST STROUDSBURG—New coach Dennis Douds considers defensive tackle Rich Nicolais (225) the best of 38 lettermen. Safety Willard Stem and linebacker Doug Sheaffer also are defensive stalwarts. The Warriors have running power with halfbacks Don Ford, Bob Rinaldi and Pete Radocha.

CHEYNEY—The Wolves gained respectability in three years under Coach Billy Joe. Six All-Conference players return—wide receiver John Mackrey, halfback Able Joe (987 yards), center Billy Henderson and tackle Steve Anderson on offense and linebacker Art Allen and halfback Reggie Beard on defense.

KUTZTOWN—The Bears came on strong last year by winning four of their last five games. Frank Williams and Bill McCurley are top linebackers and running backs Bruce Harper and Gary Grant and ends Carl Pearson and Dave Buttaro spark the offense.

BLOOMSBURG—Coach Bill Sproule feels the Huskies have depth, experience and size to improve on last year's 1-7-1 record. There are nine offensive starters including guard Steve Dubuski and end Mike Steigerwalt. Sophs Tony Moore and Ken Zipko add punch to the running attack. End Walt Ciezlukowski and tackle Earl Mayesky are the team's best on defense.

MANSFIELD—The Mounties' strength will be on defense with three All-Conference players returning. Bob Withson (6-2, 200) is a top defensive lineman. Linebacker Dennis Clisham led the team in tackles while halfback Tom Shank had six interceptions.

Improvement is needed on offense.

Western Division

SLIPPERY ROCK—The Rockets have not been beaten in 23 straight conference games but the streak may be threatened for there are only nine starters back and Coach Bob DiSpirito's new offensive backfield of quarterback Chuck Calo, tailback Don Romaniszyn and fullback Gary Adams must replace last year's alignment which averaged 400 yards per game. Jerry Skocik returns at end. Key defensive players are tackle Dave Tierney and linebackers Gerald Pawlak and Joe Bushovsky.

EDINBORO—The Fighting Scots have 39 of 44 lettermen including record-breaking passer Jude Basile (1175 yards) and receiver Howard Hackley (31 catches). Fullback Rick Holmes will run through holes opened by tackle Rick Vornadore. Nine defensive starters return including middle guard Ron Gooden (6-4, 250) and tackle Jeff Shaw (6-2, 220).

INDIANA—The Indians have quarterback Lynn Heiber, who was named ECAC Division II Player of the Year and AP Little All-America third team. Heiber passed for 1948 yards and ran for another 426. There are only four other offensive starters available including center Jack Conaboy and fullback Rick Johnson (511 yards). The defense should be improved with eight regulars back led by tackles Nick Rodio and Paul Shandor.

CLARION—Al Jacks faces a major rebuilding job as he begins his 13th year as the Golden Eagles' coach with a 73-32-3 record. He must replace 13 starters. The kicking game will be the bright spot with punter Dan Corrigan and place-kicker Rich Snodgrass. There is talent on the offensive line where Ken Roebuck has been moved to tight end. Tackle Tom Taormina and linebacker Keith Loughrey are defensive veterans.

SHIPPENSBURG—The Red Raiders should be solid up front on both platoons. The entire offensive line returns headed by guard Tom Henn (5-10, 210). Tackle Jesse James (6-3, 230) and middle guard Vince DeBona are the leaders on the defensive wall. Quarterback Randy Stamets will run the offense with fullback Rene Posey (595 yards) the top running threat.

LOCK HAVEN—The Bald Eagles are on the rise with the return of 39 lettermen and 17 starters led by quarterback Dave Bower who passed for 1169 yards. Halfback Jerry Conlon (42 catches) was his leading target. Fred Lenig is a dangerous breakaway runner. Top defensive player is tackle Dan Engelman.

CALIFORNIA—The Vulcans had problems with passing, both offensively and defensively. Coach Elmo Natali feels if he can shore up this deficiency, his team will be improved. There are 28 lettermen headed by running back Gary Michaux and linebackers Greg Zigray and Tim Susick.



RICK TELHIARD, left, senior DT who led the team in tackles, and PHIL GARGIS, a junior quarterback, are keys in Auburn's bid to unseat Alabama from SEC title.



COACH BEAR BRYANT, above and right, confers with aide MAL MOORE while Alabama quarterback ROBERT FRALEY stands by. Crimson Tide seeks 5th straight SEC title.



WILLIE SHELBY (30) is among many top runners Alabama is counting on. He had 541 yards in '74.



RICHARD TODD, below, who's the No. 1 Alabama quarterback, gains ground against Vanderbilt in '74.





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Deep South

AUBURN OVER ALABAMA FOR SEC CROWN; GEORGIA TECH TOPS INDEPENDENTS

PREDICTIONS

Southeastern Conference

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|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Auburn | 6. Miss State |
| 2. Alabama | 7. Georgia |
| 3. Tennessee | 8. Vanderbilt |
| 4. Florida | 9. Kentucky |
| 5. Louisiana State | 10. Mississippi |

Independents

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|------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Georgia Tech | 5. Florida State |
| 2. Miami | 6. Southern Mississippi |
| 3. Tulane | 7. Chattanooga |
| 4. Memphis State | 8. N.E. Louisiana |

Gulf South Conference

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|------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Jacksonville State | 6. Troy State |
| 2. Delta State | 7. Nicholls State |
| 3. Livingston | 8. Mississippi College |
| 4. North Alabama | 9. Northwest Louisiana |
| 5. Southeast Louisiana | 10. U. Tenn.-Martin |

Ohio Valley Conference

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| 1. Eastern Kentucky | 5. Austin Peay |
| 2. Western Kentucky | 6. Murray State |
| 3. Tennessee Tech | 7. Middle Tennessee |
| 4. East Tennessee | 8. Morehead |

Paul (Bear) Bryant has turned the Southeastern Conference into a one-man show . . . you know, like those stage shows, "An afternoon with the Bear." And it's almost boring.

Bryant and his Alabama legions have won an unprecedented four straight undisputed championships, and the team has been a potential national champion until the very last game the past two years. Alabama has won 14 straight games in the league and 28 of the last 29. It's that bad.

Only way to whip Bryant is challenge him to a postseason bowl game. This is the one area of football in which Bryant does not shine. Bear hasn't won a bowl game in eight consecutive years. He has one tie and seven losses, including the two heart-breaking reversals to Notre Dame in 1973 and 1974. A national title was in the grasp of the Tide, but the Irish won by 24-23 and last January by 13-11.

If Notre Dame can do it, so can some of the neighbors. On that shaky premise, the pick is Auburn to whip Alabama this year and win the SEC championship. What better time? Ralph (Shug) Jordan, head coach at Auburn for 24 years, has al-

ready announced that this will be his last year. Doug Barfield, the offensive coordinator, will succeed Jordan. Auburn, of course, was the last SEC team to whip Bear, nailing down an unforgettable 17-16 triumph in 1972 with two blocked punts.

Auburn was almost as good as the Tide a year ago. Now, the War Eagles have an excellent offensive line, a smart quarterback in Phil Gargis, and a defense that has never been anything but tough.

Alabama has 60 players who will be ready to try for a fifth straight title, but some critics insist the two bowl losses to Notre Dame left a scar on the Tide. Richard Todd is back to lead the Alabama offense which features Willie Shelby and Calvin Culliver. In short, the Tide will be very strong again.

Tennessee, Florida, LSU and Mississippi State can be classified as outside threats as contenders. None seems to have the balance needed to knock over six SEC foes.

Georgia Tech, rejuvenated under Pepper Rodgers, will be the class of the independents. Rodgers insisted a year ago he would field a tough team with a newly-installed Wishbone attack and he did. Miami looks like the best bet as runner-up in this division, followed by Tulane and Memphis State.

There is only one new head coach in the SEC, but three new faces among the independents. Fred Pancoast moved from Memphis State to Vanderbilt when Steve Sloan forsook the Commodores for the head job at Texas Tech. Pancoast is well known in league circles, having been an assistant coach at Florida and Georgia. The vacancy at Memphis State was filled by Richard Williamson, a Bryant-trained ex-Tider who, most recently was an assistant to Frank Broyles at Arkansas. Miami's new football boss is Carl Selmer, line coach who got the call when Pete Elliott decided to devote all of his time to being athletic director. P. W. (Bear) Underwood quit at Southern Mississippi and that assignment fell to Bobby Collins, onetime star quarterback at Mississippi State who has been on the North Carolina staff for 10 years.

Southern teams who don't measure up to title play have one common goal: A bowl invitation. Seven SEC teams played in bowls last winter, having a 3-3-1 record. SEC teams collected around 2.5 million in bowl loot.

To make the bowl scene again the better teams look to outstanding stars. In the SEC, the All-America list isn't long, but select: Leroy Cook, Alabama, defensive end; Wayne Fields, Florida, cornerback;

Steve S. Cassidy, LSU, defensive tackle; Stanley Morgan, Tennessee, running back; Randy Johnson, offensive guard, Georgia; two Kentucky stars, Sonny Collins, runner, and Warren Bryant, offensive tackle, and Richard Todd, Alabama quarterback.

Miami has a strong offensive tackle, Bert Camut. Memphis State's big defensive tackle, Eary Jones, is a good All-America bet. Georgia Tech is particularly proud of sophomore linebacker Lucius Sanford.

AUBURN—"We're going to have a good football team," says Auburn Coach Ralph (Shug) Jordan. He should know. He's been having them and having them and having them.

Shug has a warm feeling for the Tigers' Veer.

"That thing exceeded my fondest expectations. We moved on the ground better than in any of my years at Auburn (this is the 25th and last). The Veer is a remarkable offense, the system of the future, as far as I'm concerned. With our quarterbacks and running backs still young, we might, given time, develop something just this side of awesome."

Now you know. Auburn is going to play offense.

The key is Phil Gargis (188), quarterback with toughness. He loves to keep the ball but has the computer-quick mind that seems to make mostly right decisions.

Gargis has been only a modest success as a passer, unless you count the two TD strikes and the two-point conversion against Texas in the Gator Bowl.

Auburn is stacked deep with running backs. Best is fullback Secdrick McIntyre (192), a quick hitter who explodes into the hole and switches to overdrive. Mac got 839 yards as a sophomore, sixth best single season in school history.

Mitzi Jackson (188) is the tailback. Kenny Burks (195) can play, too.

There's a problem behind Gargis. Chris Vacarella is the No. 2 QB yet is one of the top athletes on the team. Jordan is tempted to use Chris some at running back, also.

To go with the proven backfield, the Tigers have top offensive linemen in tackle Chuck Fletcher (260), guard Dave Ostrowski (251) and guard Lynn Johnson (274). Dave and Lynn are juniors who started some as freshmen.

Ben Strickland (231), center as a soph and guard as a junior, is back at center. Ronnie Jones (269) is the other tackle. Billy Bruce (208) plays tight end. The wideouts are Ed Butler (220), Jeff Gilligan (188), Billy Wood and Mitch Downey.

Auburn's second line includes Gary Mahaffey, Arnaldo Abrey, Bob Butler, Rick Chenault, Marvin Trott and Johnny Pummer.

Defensively, the Tigers underwent a restoration. Only tackle Rick Telhiard (229), end Liston Eddins (230) and linebacker Carl Hubbard (216) return as starters. Telhiard, strong at the snap and quick to the ball, beat all the linebackers in total stops. Eddins is a big-play end, national lineman-of-the-week after tearing up Tennessee last year.

New up front are end Jim Pitts (217) and tackle Bill Evans (226). Backing up the starters are

ends Craig Fleming and Jeff McCollum and tackles Steve Stanaland and John Smith.

Sophomore Kim Sellers (228) is supposed to be what Ken Bernich was, the linebacker where things are thickest. Pat Jones (211) and Ray Phagan (194) are other starters. Ricky Sanders, Lee Hanson, John Dees and Tony Long aren't bad.

The all-new secondary figures to open with former tailback Rick Neel (179), Danny Arnold (188), Lance Hill (175) and Glen Ward (172). Competing for time are Lou Drumheller, Lee Beeler and Rick Freeman, all sophomores.

"We have ability on defense. The thing we lack is experience," says Jordan. "We did have some rebuilding. We always do. That's part of football."

The kicking game is a big part of Auburn football. Clyde Baumgartner is the punter, Greg Gillis the place-kicker.

Emotions, good or bad, could play a significant role in this Auburn campaign. It is Jordan's last fling as head coach, his 25th at the lovely village. He's had heady success . . . a national championship in '57, the first SEC coach to win 100 games at his alma mater, seven bowls in a row, coach-of-the-year at all levels.

Shug's departure has not been handled gracefully. Assistant head coach Paul Davis had waited in line for the opportunity, turning down jobs at other schools. But, school officials have already named younger assistant Doug Barfield as the next head coach, effective after this season.

Maybe the Tigers can solve their internal problems. Maybe the Tigers will "win 'em all" as Shug's going-away present. Maybe.

ALABAMA—Bear Bryant has his problems. His Alabama team looks good. Great might be a better word. He's got all those running backs and a talented, poised quarterback and seven or eight defensive stars.

"We have the best looking physical squad I've ever been associated with," declares the coach. "But we are slow."

Pity the Bear. He hasn't lost a Southeastern Conference game since Auburn blocked a pair of fourth-quarter punts and turned them both into Tiger touchdowns. In fact, Bear hasn't lost anything except bowl games. He doesn't win many of those.

This might be the year. Richard Todd is now THE quarterback. Bryant has pitched in little hints the last couple of seasons. Once Bear said Richard would be better than Joe Namath.

Todd is a strong 212-pounder who accounted for 10 touchdowns last fall. Jack O'Rear and Robert Fraley share the supporting role.

Alabama running backs have to wait in line to get the ball. The best are Calvin Culliver (200), Willie Shelby (190), Johnny Davis (228), Jimmy Taylor (175), Mike Sutton (196) and Rick Watson (195).

"We do have some fine runners," concedes the Bear.

The Tide had four backs average better than six yards per carry. Culliver scored eight touchdowns, gained more than 700 yards and was stopped once

behind the line . . . one one-yard loss in 116 thrusts from the wishbone.

Alabama averaged more than 388 yards a game in total offense. The run-pass ratio was more than three-to-one for ground effectiveness. And yet, the passing game produced eight TDs.

There's a prize at split end, sophomore Ozzie Newsome (195). Oz caught 20 as a freshman. Joe Dale Harris is a capable helper.

Four seniors and two sophomores are in the Tide blocking wall. Jerry Washco (225) and Ray Maxwell (221) are the tackles, Larry Ruffin (222) and Bob Cryder (265) the guards. Louis Green (245) plays center, Jerry Brown (205) tight end.

The second line includes K. J. Lazenby, Mike Sebastian, Terry Jones, Tim Hurst, Buddy Pope and George Pugh, former starter.

Alabama monopolizes the SEC in defense even more than offense. The Tide allowed 7.5 points per game, third best in the country. The Redmen permitted one touchdown pass in going 11-0.

Leroy Cook (218) is the All-America end. Paul Harris (210) slows traffic at the opposite flank. Tackles are Charles Hannah (232) and Bob Baumhower (243).

Helping make the defense crusty up the middle are noseguard Gus White, down to 248 pounds, and linebacker Woodrow Lowe (211). Lowe was on some All-America teams as a sophomore but fell off the pace somewhat last fall. Bryant expects Woodrow to rebound and be brilliant again.

Conley Duncan (201) is the other linebacker. He's the kind that causes fumbles.

Tyrone King (170) and rugged Alan Pizzitola (179) are the big names in the secondary. King has superb speed and Pizzitola is the former walkon who won a scholarship with aggressive hitting and then won a starting job with more aggressive hitting.

Wayne Rhodes (178) is the halfback opposite King. Ray Bolden (165) is the free safety.

At some schools, Alabama's second defensive unit might be the first. Dick Turpin and Mike Dottorey are the ends, Calvin Richardson and Willie McCray (very promising 252-pound sophomore) are the tackles and Colenzo Hubbard the middle guard.

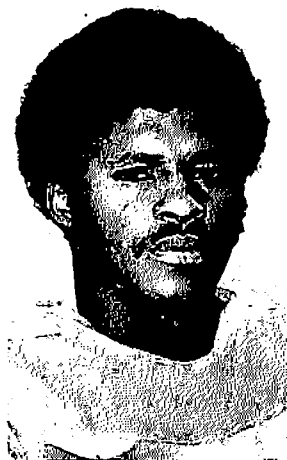
Former regular Greg Montgomery and Neil Callaway are No. 2 linebackers. Mike Kramer, Scott Price, Mark Prudhomme and Johnny Crow play in the secondary. Crow is the son of assistant coach John David Crow, former All-America under Bryant at Texas A&M.

Bryant says he's worried about early games against Missouri, Clemson and Vanderbilt.

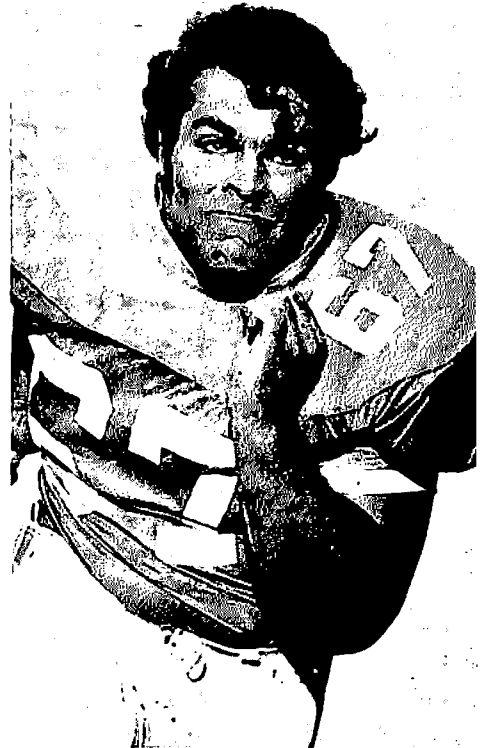
"You know how much Vanderbilt has improved in the last few years," said the coach.

TENNESSEE—If you can't win big with Condredge Holloway at quarterback, how do you win big without him?

That is the question at Tennessee. If the Volunteers are to regain Southeastern and national fame, it appears the defense must stand tall. The Orangemen got a share of seventh place in their league a year ago. The finish would have been worse except Vanderbilt's punter fumbled a snap in the closing



STANLEY MORGAN, junior tailback for Tennessee, led conference in scoring.



MICKEY MARVIN, picked All-SEC guard as soph, goes 6-4 and 270 pounds.

minutes. It was **THAT** kind of year.

The Vols are clearly improved defensively. End Ron McCartney (219) and linebacker Steve Poole (214) can play with anybody. Pro scouts say McCartney has the intensity, reaction and smarts to be an outside linebacker in the big leagues.

Russ Williams (215) and Any Spiva (210) are good linebackers, maybe better than that. Kevin Davis (209) is the end opposite McCartney. David Page (237) is a returning tackle. Phil Clabo (6-6, 269) has been switched from offensive guard and may play ahead of Jim Woofert, Ralph Bullard, Pert Jenkins and Roger Higginbotham at the other tackle.

The next wave of linebackers is led by sophomore Lyonel Stewart. Steve White, Greg Jones and Lee Hidingar can help.

Tennessee's secondary has returning safeties Ernie Ward (184) and Mike Mauck (174) and new cornerbacks David Parsons (185) and Thomas Rowsey (190). Chip Linebarrier, Bill Cole, Russ Rabenstein and freshman Gary Hardeman are other defensive backs.

Charley Anderson and David Barron back up the starting defensive ends.

The Volunteers' big name on offense is Stanley Morgan (176), junior tailback. Morgan led the SEC in scoring, 14 touchdowns, rushed for 723 yards, caught passes for 234 more and returned kicks for another 620 yards. That adds up to 1587, making Stanley one of the most productive players in the country.

Stanley showed up in two other statistical categories. He threw two halfback-around passes and intercepted one when an opponent threw instead of kicked on fourth down.

Coach Bill Battle describes Morgan as "a great all-around talent." He is.

Mike Gayles (183), MVP in the Liberty Bowl, is another good running back. Dale Fair (201) and Terry Moore (209) are the best fullbacks.

The quarterback race is between Pat Ryan (200) and Gary Roach (189) but there's room for a rookie to challenge.

Tennessee has fine receivers, starting with Larry Seivers (200), but has emphasized the ground game. If the Vols throw more, wingback Tim Fitchpatrick (183) and wideouts Randy Verner (182) and John Yarbrough (184) will do the catching. Seivers rated No. 3 in the SEC as a sophomore, catching 25 for 347 yards and saving two games with two-point conversion grabs.

Tommy West (209) is a skilled tight end. The blocking front is led by Mickey Marvin (270) and Dave Brady (236). Senior Paul Johnson (211) returns at center but Charleton Webb (230) is a serious challenge. Former defensive tackle Joe Gallagher (235) and sophomores Jesse Turnbow (270) and Brent Watson (240) are possible starters. Keith Autry can help at guard. Jim Duvall and John Murphy back up West at tight end.

Tennessee's kicking game, famous through the years, is uncertain. The Vols have a place-kicking specialist, Jim Gaylor, on scholarship but are searching through walk-ons for a punter.

Tennessee lost one streak last year. It had won eight or more games a year for nine years. The Vols went 7-3-2. This time, the streak of 10 consecutive bowls is in jeopardy.

"The key to our season are these first five games," says Battle. "We're going to be fighting and scratching for our lives against Maryland, UCLA, Auburn, LSU and Alabama. It's going to take everybody pulling together as hard as they can to get us through that part of the schedule."

The question at quarterback did nothing to dampen fan enthusiasm. Season-ticket sales had to be cut off and school officials have approved foundation work for another expansion of Neyland Stadium, boosting capacity to almost 80,000.

FLORIDA—Did Florida get the patch on straight at linebacker and cornerback? If those leaks in the roadblock have been fixed, Doug Dickey's Gators could be good, going on great.

Here are the reasons: Tony Green, as a freshman, broke the school rushing record. Now he's a sophomore, with an All-America glow. Tony has many helpers.

Don Gaffney and Jimmy Fisher provide a 1-2 punch at quarterback. They combined last season for 12 TD passes and lost but six interceptions.

Wayne Fields is a brilliant defensive back, surely one of the best three or four in the country. Scott Hutchinson has All-Star potential at defensive tackle.

There is a stockpile of young talent, names that may become famous, rookies such as Alvin Parrish, Terry LeCount and Tony Stephens.

The Gators aren't as big and physical as in '74 but Dickey says they are at least as fast, maybe faster.

Green, nicknamed Too Small (5-9, 183) is the star with the ball. He broke Nat Moore's rushing record, netted 856 yards, broke big plays, averaged 6.4 per carry, scored seven touchdowns, etc.

Other top wishbone backs are Jimmy DuBose (219), Larry Brinson (203), Sammy Lemon (202),

James Richards (217), Willie Wilder (185) and Robert Morgan (224). The Gators have got 'em.

Gaffney (176) and Fisher (184) share quarterbacking. Glenn Sever (181), starter at split end as a sophomore, is back at that job as a senior. Wes Chandler plays behind Glenn.

Returning regulars in the offensive line are tackle Mike Williams (253) and guard Gerald Loper (241). Mike Berry (6-5, 216) is new at center. Other starters are tight end Alvis Darby (6-6, 223), tackle Bruce Mulliniks (260) and guard Joe Puppello (233).

Counted on for line support are Gavin Sprietsma, Jack Zukley, Joe Reynolds, Keith Tribble, Mark Totten and Ron Enclade.

The obvious problem on defense is that Glenn Cameron and Ralph Ortega don't live here any more. Those two linebackers and defensive backs Tyson Sever, Randy Talbot and Alvin Butler are just plain hard to replace.

Sammy Green (225) can hold more than his own at middle linebacker. His outside associates are Jimmy Ray Stephens (227) and Charlie Williams (221).

The front four should be ends Mike Smith (233) and Joe Allen (223) and tackles Darrell Carpenter (234) and Hutchinson (244), a brilliant sophomore strongman.

Fields, a team leader and big-play contributor, lines up at monster. Corners are Henry Davis (191) and Robby Ball (180). The safety is Alvin Cowens (184), two-time letterman and still a junior.

Dickey looks to sophomores for much of his defensive depth. Eight are in the second 11, tackle Dennis Forrester, end Dan Grebe, linebackers Kevin Logan and Bobby Swanz and backs Bill Cross, David Wright, Steve Blair and Theo Hawkins.

Other second-teamers are end Mark Maynor, tackle Fred Wildman and linebacker Vernon Barber.

David Posey hit 12 field goals and 27 of 28 extra points. He returns as place-kicker. Untested senior Tom Dolfi or prep star Marshall Levy will do the punting.

The Gators got one player from Tampa, tackle Sylvester King, when the Spartans gave up football.

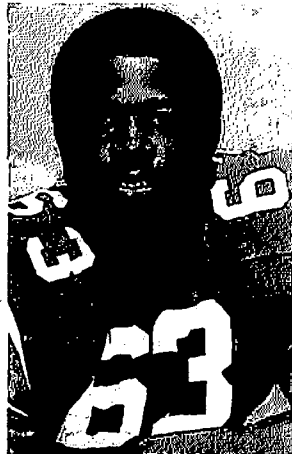
LOUISIANA STATE—Remember when everybody was switching to the Veer? Some are switching back.

Charley McClendon, almost as unhappy as the alumni with last year's 5-5-1 record at Louisiana State, put the Veer back into the hopper, gave the offense a good stir and came up with a different arrangement for this season.

"We're going to use a multiple offense," declares Cholly Mac. "We'll show 'em some Veer, some I formation, some strong set, you name it. We're going to throw the ball better because if we don't, we've got problems."

There's a clue to the new Tigers. Pat Lyons (185) and Bobby Moreau (205) are the new quarterbacks. Last year's are gone. Billy Broussard (39.8 per cent completions) has graduated. Carl Otis Trimble is now a combination flanker and running back.

Trimble looked like a natural QB for the Veer. He has the darting movements that go with quick



MIKE WILLIAMS anchors Florida's offensive line with 6-4, 253-pound frame.

WAYNE FIELDS, Florida safety, is third-year starter and key defense player.



ADAM DUHE, 6-4, 238, earned spurs as top DT as LSU freshman in 1974.

STEVE CASSIDY rates as LSU's top defensive tackle; he's 6-3 and weighs 235.



feet. Carl Otis was ticketed for greatness. It didn't happen. LSU couldn't throw a lick. Defenses ganged the runners. Alabama bashed the Tigers, 30-0.

The revamped offense is no better than "maybe." Terry Robiskie (205) and Lora Hinton (175) are the most likely ground-gainers. Robiskie has the All-America look but gained only 384 yards as a sophomore.

McClendon says he must have a "physical person" at fullback. Harrison Francis (206) and Bill Desormeaux (208) will share that role.

Speedster Robert Dow (184) is ahead of Trimble (175) at splitback. Dow has been a home-run threat on kickoff returns and could be a talented receiver. Richard Romain (190) and Bruce Hemphill (185) are split ends.

Guard Doug Boutte (217) and tackle Rock Rairford (267) are top returnees in the offensive line. Other starters are tackle Paul Lanoux (258), guard Steve Ferrer (239), center Greg Bienvenu (205) and tight end Mitch Dinkle (228). Backing them up are Bradley Kaiser, Gary Radecker, Steve Estes, Roy Stuart, Mike Erwin and Bo Dunphy.

LSU's defense has some stars . . . end Kenny Bordelon, tackles Steve Cassidy and A. J. Duhe . . . and some questionmarks. McClendon says Cassidy (235) and Duhe (238) are as good a pair of tackles as anybody owns. Bordelon (238) and Lew Sibley (228) protect the flanks with pride. McClendon says this is a real Fearsome Foursome.

Linebacking, long an LSU trademark, is not so clear. The best ones are Thielen Smith (216), Jon Streete (211) and Terry Hill (205). Rusty Domingue, S. J. Saia and Phil Triche are expected to re-enforce the regulars. Four good ones ran out of eligibility.

Backing up the front four linemen are Brad Wimberly, Dan Alexander, Darryl Brue and Butch Knight.

Four lettermen are starting in the secondary, including sophomore Clinton Burrell (183), at times spectacular in his rookie campaign. Burrell and Dave Cook (170) play the corners, Mike Leonard

(200) and Mike Pike (178) the safeties. The second-team deep defense includes Steve Jackson, Leo Hodgins, Ronnie Barber and Gary Blacketter.

The Tigers are looking to high school recruits for some help. Charlie Alexander is a 9.5 sprinter who can be a running back or receiver. Linebacker Spencer Smith (6-1, 250), prep All-America) enrolled in time for spring practice.

"I've reminded our fans we have an extremely young ball club, maybe the youngest since I've been head-coaching," says McClendon. "We've got spirit. We need experience."

McClendon is worried about running back. He wishes he had more good ones. He is also concerned about the offensive line. The defense, once you pass the linemen, is not concrete.

And if that isn't enough to worry about, the schedule is a problem too. The Tigers open at Nebraska and check out Texas A&M in the second game. The conference segment of the LSU schedule could be worse. At least the Bengals have Alabama in Baton Rouge.

MISSISSIPPI STATE—"We will be stronger at 20 of the 22 starting positions," says Coach Bob Tyler.

That means quarterbacks Bruce Threadgill, a left-hander, and red-shirt sophomore Norm Joseph aren't up to the level of departed Rockey Felker. And, there's no way the Bulldogs could have a defensive tackle ready to completely replace All-America Jimmy Webb.

Tyler expects to have another fine football team, vastly improved on defense. Whether it can match last year's 9-3 record, including the bowl victory over North Carolina, is the question.

"This was the year we were shooting for as our first major breakthrough," says the coach. "We had several young players who performed well last year at key positions. That's how we won nine."

One of the young, Terry Vitrano (195), was the Sun Bowl's outstanding player, not bad for a freshman. Another rookie, Dennis Johnson (220) gained 198 yards and was Southeast back-of-the-week in the victory over Memphis State. Another, Walter Packer

(175), made all-conference as a sophomore. Darryl McGlasker (165) has speed to spare.

These four will help make the veer go again.

The trademark of this Bulldog collection will be speed, team speed, across the board. Coach Tyler set speed as the prime requirement for recruiters when he took over the struggling program three years ago.

Packer had a brilliant soph season. He rushed for 994 yards, averaging better than six yards per carry. Walter scored six touchdowns, had runs from scrimmage up to 70 yards, caught some passes and returned kickoffs occasionally.

Threadgill and Joseph can expect quarterback competition from freshman James Harris.

Wide receivers are also young. Gavin Rees (185) and Steve Wohlert are 1-2 at split end. Jimmy Payne (175) and Steve White are the wingbacks.

Center Richard Keys, 6-3 and 220, is a junior ready to start for the third year. Guard Sam Nichols, 6-2, 250, and tackle Jim Eidson, 6-4, 250, are also proven juniors. Others in the offensive line are tackle Joe Soileau (245), guard Ronnie Cuevas (230) and tight end Howard Lewis (210).

Backing them are tackles Chuck Brislin and Mark Trogon, guards Duane McNeill and Fred Rainer, center Bill Holt and end Duncan McKenzie.

Sparking the State defense will be safety Stan Black, middle guard Harvey Hull and linebacker Ray Costict, headhunters all.

Black (185) might be the best athlete on the squad. He was a standout defensive back as a freshman, a wide receiver last season and now he's the free safety. Partners in the secondary are half-backs Bill Lee (178) and Larry Buie (180) and strong safety Bobby Wallace (175).

Next in line, in the outer defense, are Leon Alexander, Henry Davison, Mike Lawrence and Richard Blackmore.

Costrict's running mate at linebacker is Calvin Hymel (200). Jerald Porter and Andy Miller can play, too.

Hull (220) leads the front five. Larry Gillard (240) and Sidney Key (225) man the tackles, Wally Cox (216) and J. B. Sims (200) the ends.

Mississippi State has lettermen at every second-team position, too. Mark White, John Carter, Loyd Guillory, Hugh Christian and Will Coltharp provide excellent depth up front.

Bulldog kickers include Kinney Jordan, transfer from Tampa after the Spartans gave up football. Gerald Vaught is State's punter.

State's schedule is tough at the beginning (Georgia and Florida early), soft enough in the mid-section and vigorous in November (Alabama, Auburn, LSU and Ole Miss back to back).

GEORGIA—Where, oh where has the defense gone? Georgia's Bulldogs, from Coach Vince Dooley on down, have their fingers crossed in hopes that the red shirts will swarm after enemy runners this fall.

Georgia has a superior attack, built around junior quarterback Matt Robinson (6-2, 188), running back Glynn Harrison (180) and guard Randy Johnson (253).



STAN BLACK switches from flanker to safety this year 6th ranked State Bulldogs.



WALTER PACKER earned All-SEC recognition at Mississippi State in '74.

Robinson won an elimination tournament at his position in time to throw for 1317 yards, tops in the SEC. Harrison was the league's third leading rusher with 959 yards, second best in school history, behind only the immortal Frankie Sinkwich.

Johnson is an outstanding blocker, a future pro the scouts say. Randy was All-Conference as a junior.

Gene Washington adds game-breaking speed at flanker. He's only 5-9 and 169 but Gene can win as a receiver or kick returner. Andy Reid (197) is the other running back. QB Ray Goff, RB Al Pollard and Rayfield Williams and wideout Kevin Hartman provide good depth.

Tight end Richard Appleby (210) is a potential star. Best split ends are Mark Wilson (175) and Jesse Murray (185).

The blocking front includes tackles Steve Wilson (255) and Mike Wilson (265), guard Joel Parrish (242) and center Will Legg (251). Wilson and Legg were part-time starters last year.

The second line is made up on Steve Collier, Andy Ullrich, Joe Tereshinski, Hugh Hendrix, Bob Kennedy and Steve Davis.

Tereshinski, 6-1 and 231, had an outstanding spring practice at center. This son of a former All-Conference Georgia end shared the "most improved lineman" award with Wilson and was honored as the team's top hustler in the 20 drills.

Goff was named the most improved offensive back, Pollard the most powerful runner and best blocker among the backs. Georgia coaches couldn't agree on who was the best all-around offensive player. They split the prize between Appleby and Harrison.

Georgia's defense, once a source of great pride, has been blamed in part for last year's 6-5 record. While the offense was labeled the second best in the SEC, the defense was the worst. The Bulldogs gave up 136 more yards per game than Alabama.

Returnees are end Rusty Russell (202), son of defensive boss Erk Russell; linebacker Sylvester Boler (235); and strongside safety David Schwak (171). Wilson played some defense last season but is now a starter at offensive guard.



RANDY JOHNSON heads Georgia's offensive line, was All-SEC guard choice.

GLYNN HARRISON gained 959 yards on ground for Georgia in '74 campaign.



TOM GALBIERZ, 225, fills out Commodores' front five at middle guard spot.

BARRY BURTON, Vandy's tight end, caught 22 for 378 yards, 3 TDs in '74.



Up front with Russell are Tom Saunders (207), Brad Thompson (239) and Jim Baker (225). Boler's buddies at linebacker are Brad Cescutti (206) and Jim Griffith (205).

Mark Mitchell (168) plays the corner opposite Schwak. Chip Miller (188) is the safety. Chuck Harris (185) plays rover.

"This amounts to a complete rebuilding job on defense," said Coach Dooley. "It's the most complete overhaul we've ever faced."

The second defense includes ends Stan Tedder and Dicky Clark and guards Pete Rosenkrans and Jeff Sanders. Spare linebackers are Jeff Lewis, Paul Ross and Mike Kavouklis.

Capable of helping in the secondary are Billy Woods, Rodney Johnson, Johnny Henderson and Bobby Thompson.

Henderson was judged the most promising defensive sophomore on the squad. Clark, former quarterback switched to end, was dubbed the spring surprise. Griffith was named the best all-around defensive Bulldog, Sanders the most improved lineman, Schwak the most improved back.

Georgia has a strong offensive gun in place-kicker Allan Leavitt, good for 61 points last fall. Allan missed one of 41 extra points and kicked seven of nine field goals.

Bill Pace, former Vanderbilt coach, is offensive coordinator for the Bulldogs.

Georgia has some small schedule advantage. The Bulldogs don't have to worry about LSU, Tennessee and Alabama.

VANDERBILT—Fred Pancoast's inheritance at Vanderbilt is impressive but the question remains, did Steve Sloan leave him a future or a past?

Pancoast has the coaching task of continuing or improving on Vanderbilt's new-found success. The Commodores went to the Peach Bowl last December, their first post-season experience in almost two decades. The record was 7-3-1. Happiness reigned in Nashville. But Sloan went away, to Texas Tech. Fred has a tough act to follow.

The defense seems secure. Ten bowl starters are back, including the young giant named outstanding

defender, Dennis Harrison, 6-7, 258 and now a poised sophomore.

"We couldn't get much practicing done in the spring against Harrison," declares Coach Pancoast. "He destroyed everything that came his way."

Harrison plays tackle. Ends are Tate Rich (195) and Joe Reynolds (220). Nose guard is Tom Galbierz, a fierce interior fighter who has run down a few quarterbacks in his time. Tom is a 225-pounder.

The other tackle is Jim Schellenberg (230). Tim Riley, Doug Humphreys, David Hale, Mickey Jacobs and Ken Pittman provide fine depth up front.

The best Vandy linebackers are Kimmie Weaver (190 and swift) and Damon Regen (225). Paul Brogdon and Mark Adams are close.

Jay Chesley (185) is the secondary star at strong safety. He picked off five passes last season and ran two back for touchdowns. Jay broke up nine others and made more minus-yardage tackles than most linebackers.

Others in the defensive backfield, rated a strong area, are Reggie Calvin (185), Steve Curnutte (170) and Ed Oaks (175). Senior Cliff Culpepper and sophs Brenard Wilson, John O'Neal and Larkin Cannington are next in line.

Top attractions on offense are tight end Barry Burton (he made one All-America team) and split end Jesse Mathers. Together they caught 45 passes for about 750 yards last season.

There is some concern at quarterback. Fred Fisher (170), if he can stay healthy, is outstanding. Fisher missed half of last year with a serious shoulder injury (surgery) and had a knee operation after spring drills. Fred led the SEC in total offense and passing stats as a sophomore. He is now a senior. Sophomore David Culley (175), quick lefthander is the next QB.

Running backs are Lonnie Sadler (190), Adolph Groves (215), Ed Parrish (170) and David Johnson (205). Groves had a great spring, reenforcing a 6.6 yards per carry record from last fall.

The flankers are Ed Reilly (165) and Daryl Mills (180). Martin Cox plays behind big Mathers (6-4, 195) at split end.

Burton, team punter, is multi-talented. Barry led

the country in tight-end-arounds, rushing for more than 300 yards. At 6-2 and 220, he's a sight to see bearing down on a half-sized sideback. Hal Kemp backs up Burton.

Vandy's offensive line has been restored . . . maybe. The team lost some good blockers, two to graduation, one to grades and one to a recreation basketball knee injury. That one, center Bill Holby, may be back. He'll have to fight Mike Birdsong (6-5, 260) for his job.

Starting tackles are Matt Gossage (220) and David Harber (235) a returning regular. Guards are Tom Ballman (245) and Frank Smith (235). Other linemen with promise are Bob McNamara, Frank Floyd, Mike Logan, Bill Schuerman and Larry Utley.

Mark Adams is an important weapon. He place-kicked 67 points last season, including 11 of 13 field goals.

Pancoast says he is impressed by the Commodores' senior leadership. The coach is talking about Galbierz, Fisher, Reynolds, Burton, Rich, Sadler, Regen, etc.

"I've been around a lot of football teams but this group is, by far, the most dedicated, hard-working bunch I've seen. They feel strongly about leadership and take it seriously.

"They have pride and unity as a senior class and I just know that will have a great effect on the younger players."

Pancoast says his first Vanderbilt team just doesn't fit his old image of the Commodores.

"The players have confidence that they can win."

KENTUCKY—Sonny Collins running behind Warren Bryant is one of the finest weapons in college football. If Kentucky comes up with enough other firepower, better days are here for the Wildcats.

Collins (194) is the All-America-type tailback. Bryant, 6-6 and lean at 235, must be one of the best blockers in the business. Steve Campassi (195) is a quick-hitting fullback and maybe . . . just maybe . . . quarterbacks Cliff Hite (6-3, 200) and Derek Ramsey (6-5, 220) will bring back the forward pass to the Bluegrass.

Last year's QB, Mike Fanuzzi, was a splendid operator of Coach Fran Curci's veer but his aeriels had the accuracy of a catapult. If the current pilots can pass, flanker Randy Burke (172), split end Dallas Owens (192) and tight end Jeff Lightcap (6-3½, 237) will be famous.

Curci has a young club but good experience among running backs. Bill Bartos (209) and Joe Dipre (196) have been there before. Sub wideouts Gil Foushee (152) and Bill Finn (175) have a lot to learn.

Kentucky's offensive line is rangy and strong. Dan Fowler is a 6-5 guard (230), Richard Jardine a 6-6 tackle (251). Other starters are Ed Singleton (254) at guard and John Nohta (217) at center.

The second wave up front features tackles Steve Slates and Wally Pesuit, guards Jeff Morris and Ed Smolder, center Greg Nord and tight end Tom Kostelnik.

Any way you check it, Collins is the chief 'Cat

with the football. He played nine games (broken leg) and averaged more than 107 yards per Saturday. Sonny has the speed to go the distance (longest run was 66) and power to haul it off tackle. The threat of a passing attack should make Collins better.

Defensively, Kentucky has four senior starters, twice as many as the offense. Noseman Tom Ranieri (216) was national lineman of the week against Florida a year ago. Giant end Art Still (6-7, 228) almost destroyed LSU. Others who started at least part-time in '74 include tackles Bobby Winkel (233) and Jerry Blanton (220), linebackers Mike Emanuel (208) and Jim Kovach (210) and defensive backs Ray Carr (179), Greg Woods (177) and Mike Siganos (173).

Tony Gray (181), senior safety, was a utilityman three years.

Ranieri was the No. 2 Wildcat in defensive statistics as a junior. He contributed 76 solo tackles and 61 assists. Fromm and Emanuel were other leaders.

Woods, Siganos and Gray returned interceptions for touchdowns and that's good experience to have.

Seven sophomores are prominent on the second defensive unit. They are ends Robert Murray and Walt Burks, tackles Dave Crea and Wendell LaPradd, linebacker Mike Martin and corners Ron Cason and Freddie Williams.

Safety Ches Riddle and middle guard Washington Gay are juniors. Linebacker Dave Moitis and defensive back Jim Franklin are seniors.

Curci and Kentucky believe good things are ahead for the Wildcats. His second team had a winning record (6-5) and came close enough to a bowl invitation to be worrying about tickets. The coach got a handsome reward, a new five-year contract.

"I think our program is making sound progress but I've never been through such a spring practice as we had," said Curci. "We had six broken bones and two knee operations. It just made me sick."

Still, still learning at defensive end, was among those who lost critical time because of injury.

Curci does not want to change his philosophy regarding the balance of running and passing. He just hopes this team will complete more, not throw more.

"I can't think of a football powerhouse being based on the pass," says Fran. "Look at Alabama, Oklahoma, Ohio State, the old Green Bay Packers . . . anybody really successful you can think of . . . and you'll see a strong running game behind strong blocking."

Kentucky would like to play that way.

MISSISSIPPI—Football is going through "struggle time" at Ole Miss. But there's no need to yell "Do something" at Coach Ken Cooper. He's doing it.

Cooper is searching for a quarterback and shuffling Rebels from one position to another, seeking a combination that can face up to a demanding schedule. The camp feeling is that the team has to be better than last season's 3-8 record, including seven consecutive losses.

Cooper spent the spring trying to improve the of-

fensive line "because we were not able to run consistently last year despite having a lot of good backs."

The second major project was to steady the quarterback ship. It's still uncertain with injury-plagued Stan Bounds (184), George Plasketes (202), David Coates (183) and Tim Ellis (192) competing for playing time.

Ellis restored some order to the end of '74 with seven touchdowns in three games. But Tim couldn't hold the job during veer-inclined spring work. Bounds, redshirt junior, was a great prep player but has had two knee operations.

The best running back for three-fourths of spring practice was former split end Michael Sweet (5-9, 178). He's a darter. He's now recovering from knee surgery. Fullback Paul Hofer (186) is solid. James Reed (205) and L. Q. Smith (208) look like good running backs. But, just in case, Coach Cooper switched linebacker James Storey (210) to tailback. Reed was the top gainer last year with only 461 yards.

Ole Miss has good talent at wide receiver. Rick Kimbrough (177) is a three-year starter at flanker (23 catches, 271 yards last fall). Bill Small (185) is the split end, ahead of former tight end Curtis Weathers. Bob Fabris backs up Kimbrough.

Cooper made a key switch at tight end, putting former tackle Wade Griffin (227) in the outside blocking role. Lundy Gunn can play tight end, also.

Holdover starters in the offensive line are tackles Dick Lawrence (236) and James Hickman (232) and center John MacNeill (228). Hickman played guard last season but filled the spot vacated by Griffin. New guards are Scott Penn (225) and Robert Henry (243).

The second line features sophomores Dennis Watkins, Jeff Weber and Keith Kellum and juniors Mike Hearne and Reggie Pace.

"We certainly aren't the largest you'll see in the offensive line," said Coach Cooper. "What we lack in size, we are trying to make up in execution."

Mississippi's defensive front is good or questionable, depending upon the latest hospital report. End Gary Turner (212) is a prize if his knee is healed, Pete Robertson (255) is a tough tackle but he's had neck troubles since last October.

Healthy enough are end Bill Farris (210), tackle

Ben Williams (253), nicknamed Gentle Ben, and middle guard Richard Clippard (235). Only Farris has moved into the probable lineup since last year.

Returning linebackers are Kem Coleman (235) and George Stuart. (205). George Nasif (182) and Johnny Hatch (186) have reclaimed regular jobs in the secondary.

Safeties Brad Pittman (179) and Gary Jones (197) complete the No. 1 secondary.

The second defensive unit includes Ends John Buchanan and Scott Steele, tackles Mike Pittman and Lawrence Johnson and noseman Mike Forester. Back-up linebackers are sophomores Larry Dantzler and Storey if he isn't playing tailback. Support for the defensive backs comes from Hal Miller, Charlie Moss, two-time letterman Dan Murff and Bill Hamilton.

"We have strived to develop a strong defensive middle," said Coach Cooper. "That was part of the reason for the change from the 4-3 to the 5-2 alignment."

INDEPENDENTS

GEORGIA TECH—Things are going to get better from now on at Georgia Tech. That's the Pepper Rodgers' theme. More and better wishbone, the continuing development of a defense that was right crusty by the end of '74.

Tech has 44 lettermen, a record-setting quarterback in Danny Myers, eight returning regulars on defense and an encouraging schedule, including eight games at friendly Grant Field. It really isn't too much to expect improvement over last year's 6-5.

The Yellow Jackets ranked eighth in the country in rushing yardage, broke the school record by more than 500 yards and popped it to Georgia by 20 at Athens in the finale of Pepper's first campaign. Thus, there is reason for optimism.

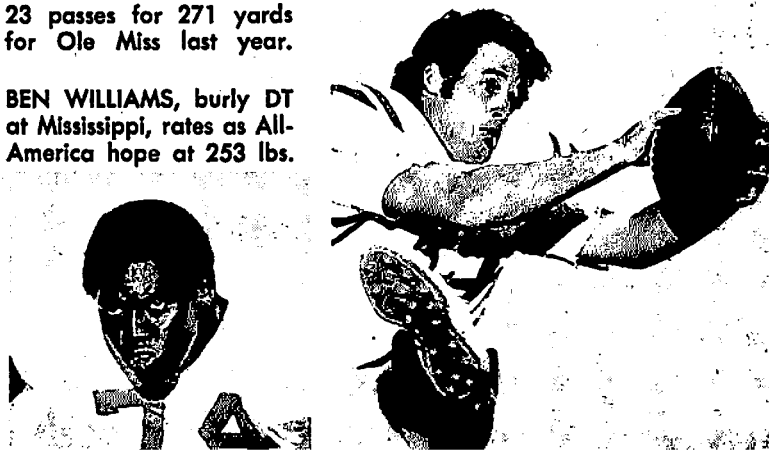
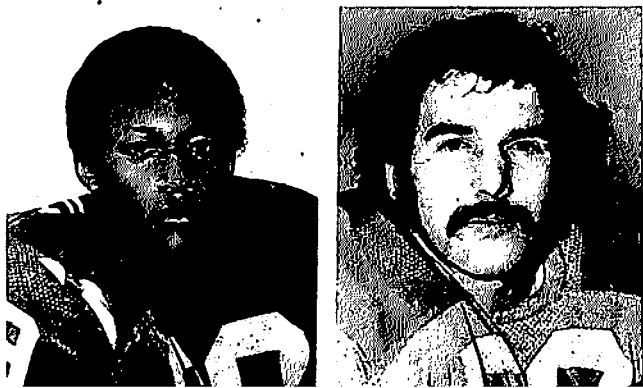
The top two attractions on offense are halfback David Sims, almost 6-4 and 220, and center Leo Tierney, Clarence Leo Tierney III, if you please.

Sims was a quarterback and tight end in times past but Rodgers put him on the left side of the wishbone and David produced 881 yards, more than any runner in Tech history. Pepper says the figures are misleading, that Sims isn't near his peak, that

WARREN BRYANT, left, earned All-SEC offensive tackle honors as soph while Kentucky teammate **TOM RANIERI** is the mainstay of defensive unit, manning the noseguard post.

RICK KIMBROUGH snared 23 passes for 271 yards for Ole Miss last year.

BEN WILLIAMS, burly DT at Mississippi, rates as All-America hope at 253 lbs.





DAVID SIMS has the potential to be a great one, says Georgia Tech coach.



LEO TIERNEY couldn't be budged once he won the Georgia Tech center spot.

he'll get better and better.

"I had a few 'heroes' when I coached at Kansas and UCLA," says Rodgers. "David's not as good as the best of them yet but he's gaining. He may turn out to be as good or better than any I've had."

Adrian Rucker (185) returns at right half. Tony Head (205) is the fullback. Quarterback Myers (185) set a QB rushing record of 489, threw for another 175 and scored seven TDs. He's a senior.

The second backfield features better thrower Rudy Allen (6-4, 195), halfbacks Reggie Jackson (185) and Tom Crowley (189) and fullback Bruce Yeager (205).

Up front, business revolves around Tierney, 6-3, 228. Leo has all the physical equipment and he plays with great desire. Guards are Mark Hunter (230) and Alex Bryan (231). Tackles are Jeff Urczyk (238) and Herb Scales (235). Ends are Elliott Price (231) and Steve Raible (195). Tierney, Hunter, Urczyk and Raible are returning regulars.

Behind the first line are ends Mark Anderson and Don Breece, tackles Ed Senules and Randy Pass, guards Tony Lubischer and Bob Curley and center Jim Woods.

Tech's defense features outside linebacker Lucius Sanford, 6-2, 219 sophomore. Lucius was a reserve in the opener last year but got in quick enough to make 14 tackles that afternoon. Sanford kept coming, led the team in such stats as deflected passes.

"Lucius Sanford is going to be an All-America," said defensive coordinator Ken Blair. "Already he has the size and toughness of a Ken Bernich (Auburn All-America) and the quickness of Richard Wood (Southern Cal's super-star)."

Bob Bowen (215) returns at middle linebacker. Tackles Rick Gibney (255) and Red McDaniel (248) and end Tony Daykin (210) are established. Reggie Wilkes (216) completes the front four. Lawton Hydrick (223) is the other linebacker.

Three-fourths of the secondary, Gil Kyle (178), Eddie Porter (180) and Danny Rhino (171), is the same. Jim Kroll (175) is the new corner.

Backing up the first group are ends Freeman Colbert and Steve Sheppard, tackles Bob Kupper

and Bob Bruenderman, linebackers Rick Jenkins, Don Shank and Jim Coleman and backs David Greer, Steve Crawford, Scott Zolke and Jucky Burns.

Punter E. O. Whealler and place-kicker Danny Smith are returning.

MIAMI—No wonder Pete Elliott bowed out as Miami coach and moved upstairs to the relative safety of athletic director. The Hurricanes are uncertain at quarterback, offensive line and linebackers and must try to match muscles with the likes of Oklahoma, Nebraska and Notre Dame.

Pete bequeathed the coaching job to Carl Selmer, previously the offensive coordinator and line coach. Carl is brave.

"Well, we have a young ball club," he says. "We're going to play a lot of people and build up our experience and try to cope with what has to be one of the toughest schedules of all time. We don't have a breather and it's a physical impossibility to go through our schedule with only a few players."

Best at Miami are defensive tackle Gary Dunn, 6-4, 240, defensive back Ernie Jones, 6-3, 180, and offensive tackle Bert Camut (255), a man the pros are watching.

The Hurricanes have five fine players in the secondary. Jones and John Turner (185) are halfbacks, Willie Jenkins (195) plays monster and Mike Archer (188) safety. Eldridge Mitchell is good enough to start. Greg Capello, Dave Sydnor and Joe Bettencourt provide depth.

Craig Cosden (220) and Gregg Wallick (205) lead George Halas and Earl Monroe among the linebackers. The top three graduated.

Dunn and Eddie Edwards (237), tackles, are the men to avoid up front. Ends are Larry Wilson (220) and Steadman Scavella (230). Middle guard is Don Latimer (229). In reserve are John McGriff and Kevin Looram at ends, Ronnie Walker and Dennis Breckner at tackles and Bob Duggan at noseguard.

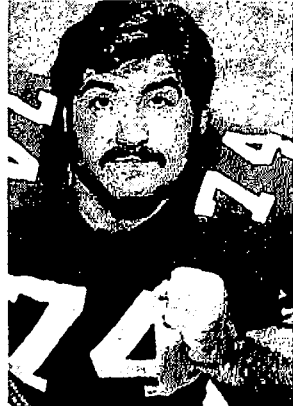
Miami's offense is much like the quarterback situation . . . uncertain. Kary Baker (190) returns but still faces a fight with Frank Glover, George Mason, E. J. Baker and even freshman Dave Robinson.

Baker produced more than 1100 yards as the junior starter but completed only 41 per cent of his passes.

Larry Bates (225) is a blast at fullback. Tailbacks Tim Morgan (170) and Don Martin (185) have talent. Morgan has experience returning kickoffs. Clarence Latimer (160) is the wingback, with Larry Cain in reserve.

Camut might be an All-America at left guard. George Demopoulos (240) is the center. Phil Iredale (242) plays right guard. Tackles are Larry Brown (258) and Frank Makarevich (240). Tight end is Charlie Claud (203).

Second-best linemen are tackles Mike White and Dave Thompson, guards Steve Golding and Karl Monroe, center Steve Ludwig and end Dennis Jackson.



BERT CAMUT has pro scouts watching his play as Miami offensive guard.

GARY DUNN, 6-3, 240, is bulwark at defensive tackle for the Hurricanes.



MARK OLIVARI, Tulane middle guard, was second leading tackler in 1974.

TERRY LOONEY's strong right arm, and experience should power Green wave.



Phil August, No. 1 split end, is a prize. He missed part of '74 because of an operation but coaches say Phil could be Miami's best flanker since Bill Miller. August is 6-3, 197. Behind him is Mike Latimer.

Chris Dennis (22 of 22 extra points) is the place-kicker, Rod Huffman the punter.

TULANE—Bennie Ellender isn't much for looking back but he can't help but wonder what might have been had quarterback Steve Foley stayed healthy a year ago.

Tulane sagged from the bowl appearance to 5-6 and now the Greenies are on the way back. Bennie's bunch was skipping along at 5-0 when the quarterback went down. Terry Looney (180) took over and what he learned last November is supposed to pay big this time around.

The Greenies have restructured their offensive line and defensive backfield. The offensive backfield didn't lose a letterman.

Operating behind Looney are running backs Steve Treuting (200) and Marc Robert (225) and fullbacks Miles Clement (205) and Gary Rudick (195).

Flankers are Bill Van Manen (175) and Nick Anderson (180). Record-setting Jaime Garza (170) returns at split end with Howard McNeill in reserve. Garza already holds the school record for TD catches and he has the sure hands, good moves and real speed to do more.

Tight ends are Darwin Willie (235) and Zack Mitchell (235).

Center Cameron Gaston (6-3, 250) leads the offensive line. Big sophomore Eric Laakso (6-5, 260) looks like he'll come on strong at tackle. John Ronquillo (250) and Jack Gullison (241) are the guards, Cleveland Joseph (255) the other tackle. Guard Mike Arthur is a good one if he gets healthy.

Backing up the starters are tackles Gerry Sheridan and Mike Korf, guards Alan Zaunbrecher and Percy Millet and center James Long.

Tulane's defense appears more dependable, especially in the front seven. Only tackle Charlie Hall and line backer Rusty Chambers are missing. Four defensive ends, Blaine Woodfin (230), Bryan Alex-

ander (200), Chuck Lapeyre (205) and Cliff Volpatti (210), return. Coach Ellender thinks that is very important.

Nathan Bell (250) and Paul Brock (245) were off-and-on starters a year ago at defensive tackle. Both are now on duty with Harold Villere and Hank Tatje backing them up. Ellender thinks Bell might be all-South.

The coach thinks middle guard Mark Olivari could be better than that, say All-America. Olivari (205) has great quickness to beat blockers and run down quarterbacks. In two seasons, Mark has inflicted losses 34 times! Olivari was No. 2 in total tackles last fall. Brent Baber is next in line.

Jim Gueno (6-3, 225) leads the list of linebackers. Charles Griffin (210) is the other starter. Don Joyce, Kit Bonvillian and Keith Alexander can play.

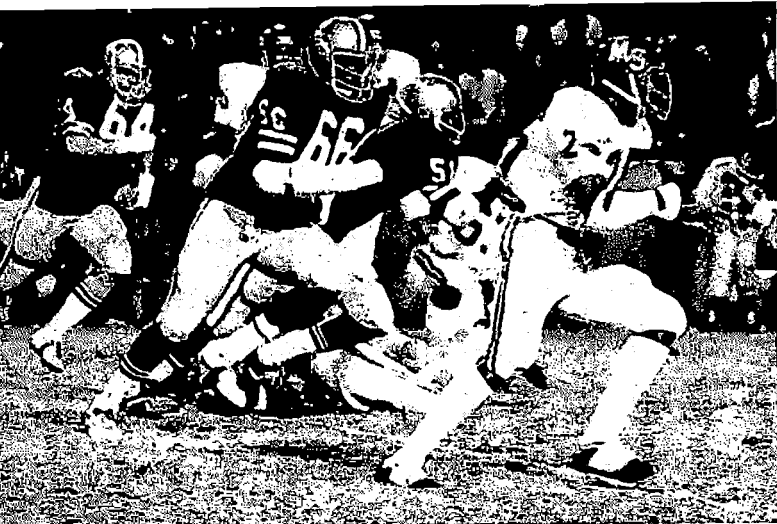
Martin Mitchell is Tulane's top defensive back. He's a slender (180) safety who becomes an offensive weapon on kick returns. Martin was sixth in the country at running back punts. He has rare speed and agility, Ellender says.

Sidebacks are Arthur Green (176) and Wyatt Washington (180), a returning regular. Robert Brown plays the monster position. He's a 180-pounder. For secondary support, the Greenies have Glenn Thomas, Mike Price, Artie Liuzza, Rusty Brown and Cliff Van Meter.

MEMPHIS STATE—Football has changed at Memphis State. Richard Williamson has replaced Fred Pancoast as coach. Tennessee and Ole Miss are off the schedule. There's a new quarterback piloting the Tigers.

Defense, outstanding last fall, will again be the stronghold. Seven starters return. Eric Harris (175), twice a member of the All-South Independents team, is spectacular at cornerback. Tackles Eary Jones (264) and Ken Niemaseck (247) are probable future pros.

Lummy Wright (201) and Greg Gore (200) give the Tigers good strength and senior experience at defensive ends. David Ligon (220) had a strong spring and seems set for his best season at middle guard.



EARY JONES (66), Memphis State All-America nominee, goes 6-4, 264 pounds and showed good pursuit as soph.

Linebackers are veteran Jerry Dandridge (215) and Steve King (211). Backing up this up-front contingent are ends Steve Cacciola and John Register, tackles Joe Puzin, switched from nose guard, and Steve Blume and big sophomore Sam Hurst at middle guard. Second-best linebackers are Kyle Hilliard and Keith Butler.

Harris' helpers in the secondary are rover Marty Hammock (190), cornerback Nathan (Sugar) Leuellyn (169) and safety Jimmy Lackie, one of the smallest big-hitters in college football at 5-8 and maybe 150.

The second secondary includes Keith Simpson, Steve Berrong, Ron Sheppard and Jim Mincey.

"We should be strong defensively," says Williamson, former Alabama player and coach. "We have key personnel returning and some good young players on defense. I think of Keith Butler, for example. He's a sophomore who was voted the most improved player in the spring."

Offensively, the Tigers have some problems. Kippy Brown (180) or Dan Allison (178) will open at quarterback but neither has experience. The offensive line still has some growing up to do. Two top wideouts are gone, one a dropout.

Terdell Middleton (181) and Anthony Oggs (180) are the best running backs. Zacky Butler (190) is the fullback. Jay Verna, Reuben Gibson and Eddie Hightower, former defensive back, are other runners.

Keith Wright, parttime starter as a freshman, is the No. 1 flanker. He's a nimble 5-10, 175-pounder. Chester Harris (170) is the split end. Backing them up are Tim Maitre and Wayne Dowdle.

Hank Dombrowski (250) has been switched from guard to tackle and he's a vigorous blocker. Bob Rush (233) returns at center. Mike Ridings (232), Bob Blackmon (240) and Glen Whiteman (218) have advanced from subs to starters across the line. Jeff Roach (223) is now the tight end. Mike Fuhrman is in hot pursuit.

Reserve linemen are Harry Bissinger, Eddie Goodman, Paul Savini, Ken Carlton and Rick Eccles.

Coach Williamson says he'll be looking to youngsters for quick help. One immediate booster could

be quarterback Elgin Stewart, prep star in Louisiana.

Fuhrman, tight end, is the punter. He averaged better than 41 yards in the spring game. Bobby Williams returns as place-kicker.

FLORIDA STATE—They're actually smiling at Tallahassee. Maybe "smile" is the wrong word. But there is a little grin. Well, at least a trace of one.

Florida State has won one football game in two seasons. That makes the Seminoles 1-21. But there is a hint of optimism for a change. Things are about to get better for Dr. Darrell Maudra, head coach.

There are several reasons why the sky is clearing, including 39 lettermen from the team which lost to Alabama by 8-7 in the final minute or so last season.

The Seminoles lost three starters on offense and three on defense. The No. 1 name among returnees is defensive tackle Greg Johnson (240), All-America hopeful. He stands 6-4 and is very quick for his size. Greg made 82 tackles last fall, was in on 792 plays and graded a remarkable 80 per cent. Pro scouts watch Johnson and smile but they don't count as Florida State faithful.

Rudy Maloy (229) and Randy Coffield (215) are projected as starting ends again. Aaron Carter (185), former strong safety, and Dave Porter (200) back them up. Johnson's partner at defensive tackle is Gary Rose (238). Other tackles are Nat Henderson (240) and Len Harvey (230).

Phil Jones (250), a starter at tackle last fall, is now the middle guard. Jon Thames (230) can play the position, too.

Linebackers are new. John Murphy and Bert Cooper are missing but Waldo Williams (220) and Brian Schmidt (215) have moved up to fill these important locations. David Hanks (210), Detroit Reynolds (219) and Dickie Vasquez should be able to help.

Three secondary starters, cornerbacks Bobby Jackson (175) and Lee Nelson (185) and safety Joe Camps (192) are all set in the same positions. Gary Woolford (175), red-shirted last fall, is the other deep defender. Lined up, ready to help, are Jeff Ridings (183), Andy Stockton (179), Nat Terry (158) and Earl Humes (172).

There's still a race at quarterback where Ron

GREG JOHNSON, senior defensive tackle at Florida St., made 55 unassisted tackles and had 27 assists in 1974.



Coppess vacated. Either Jimmy Black (180), Steve Mathieson (210) or Clyde Walker (195) will run the attack. Black and Mathieson started at least one game each last season.

Running back will be one of the stronger positions. Leon Bright (185) and Rudy Thomas (190) are 1-2 at tailback and Jimmy Heggins (195) and Fred Miller (216) provide good strength at fullback. Larry Key (180) is the wingback, ahead of Bobby McKinnon (182).

Key and Bright, last season, became the best combo punch in Florida State history. They averaged 4.9 yards per carry.

Split end Mike Shumann (175) is a returnee with Roger Overby (175) available to assist. Ed Beckman (225) is new at tight end. Mark Marshall (215) is second-team.

Four-fifths of Florida State's interior offensive line is intact. Tackles Bruce Harrison (230) and Billy McPhillips (233), guard Jeff Gardner (220) and center Smokey Ragins (255) have been there before, when things were really tough. Guard Tony Falvo (240) has just won a regular assignment.

Behind the regulars are tackles Jim Keyton (235) and Tom Rushing (250), guards Mike Kissner (230) and Vic Rivas (245) and center Bill Sawyer (230).

SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI—Jeff Bower is supposed to open some doors for Southern Mississippi and Ron Cheatham and a seasoned secondary are in charge of keeping doors closed.

There's an interesting mixture of old and new at Hattiesburg. There are 39 lettermen and the same old problem of all road games while home stadium renovation continues. Southern has a new coaching staff, led by Bobby Collins, former North Carolina assistant. Collins replaced P. W. Underwood, now an assistant at Vanderbilt.

Bower is an established quarterback. The slender senior (6-1, 178) operates the veer with confidence. In two years at the controls, Jeff has scored five TDs, thrown for 18, completed 56.2 per cent of his passes and produced some 2700 aerial yards.

Jim Nyers and Ken Alderman back up Bower. Running backs are Ben Garry (183), David Hosemann (181), Charles Clancy (176) and Chris Pieper (185).

Southern's 2-3-4 wide receivers return, Eddie Tate (163) and Barry Gibson (160) at split end, Greg Pieper (194) at flanker. Willie Thicken (196) supports Greg.

Punter Rick Palmer, 6-2 and 260, has inherited the tight end job. John Pitts can help.

Tackles Jerry Fremin (243) and Eric Smith (280) and center Bill Warner (220) are returning starters but Warner may lose his spot to Barry Caudill (230). Guards are Amos Fowler (235) and Eddie Kaplan (225). In reserve, across the blocking front, are Sam Johnson, Steve Boyette, Carly Powers and Porter Mitchell.

Cheatham is an All-Star type linebacker. This 6-5 210-pounder led the team in tackles and assists. Three sophs, Clemon Ector, Rick Northam and George Flowers, are other linebackers. Rick Gemmel (195) is the rover, or vandal, as Southern dubs

the position. Steve McCarthy is in reserve.

A secondary which permitted just three TD passes is intact. Brad Bowman (200) is the safety, Norris Thomas (170) and Carl Allen (171) the corners. Helpful are Brad Byrne, Don Law and Billy Olson.

Craig Stevens, 6-4, and 220, is back at defensive end after missing 1974 with an injury. Reggie Odom (200) is on the other side, with Mike Wilbanks and James Henderson available.

Randy Latta (235) is ahead of Bishop Knox at noseguard. Eddie Numez (245) and Randy Basler (242) are starting tackles, supported by Steve Daniell and Alan McCollough.

CHATTANOOGA—Joe Morrison, once a Giant football player, figures he's coming up in the world as a coach. He feels he's pumping up the program at UT-Chattanooga.

"One more recruiting year like the last one and we'll be to the level I wanted to be two years ago," says Joe. "It took a little longer than I wanted but we're solid."

"We'll have a more experienced team this fall than in the past. A lot of young people played a year ago. Eighteen starters are back, nine on each side."

When pro scouts visit, they want to get a closer look at running back Darnell Powell (195) and fullback Mike Hogan (210).

"Those two are about as good running backs as we'll run into this season," says the coach.

Don Byrd and Harry McCall are expected to help.

There is still a race at quarterback and the coach would just as soon see it settled. Doug Elstad (180) is a half-notch ahead of Randy Craig (170). Elstad is the better thrower and field leader, Craig a more nifty runner.

Chattanooga receivers feature Larry Stokes (160) and Mitchell Gravitt (225), one of the most physical split ends in the game. Both run 4.5 or better. Jim Schoepfer (210) is the tight end. Backing them up are Bill Rouse, Tom Rhyne and Fred Rayhle.

Pat Wright (235) and Otis Gardner (200), senior guards, lead the offensive line. Garfield Wells (218) is the center. Tackles are Stan McCoy and Pete Pullara, 220 and 242 respectively.

"Our line depth is not yet what it ought to be," says Coach Morrison. "Glenn Boyce and Joe Yeaman can help at guards but if we get a tackle hurt, we'll have to switch somebody around to take up the slack."

Chattanooga has defensive strength at linebacker and tackle. Cornerback Wendell Morgan (181) might be a future pro. With him in the secondary are Harold Hampton (175), Mike Bishop (180) and Jerry Walker (182). The spare unit includes David McKinney, Russ Gunter, Fred Hanner and Stan Eller.

Defensive ends are Stan Jarrell (220) and Bill Robbs (215). Bill's brother, Stan Robbs (215) is a linebacker, along with Tim Collins (215). Tackles are Don Morley (225) and Billy Boone (220). Ralph Stowe (240) plugs it up at middle guard.

In reserve are ends Ken Hall and Kevin McDonough, tackles Jeff Hailey and Rex Sexton, noseman Ron Gumhold and linebackers Rob Davis and Phil Saville. John Howell is the punter, Jeff King the place kicker.

"We still have something of a schedule problem," says the coach. "Auburn is gone but Vanderbilt is still there. The schedule is more favorable in '76. Better days are ahead."

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA—Coach Ollie Keller has 33 lettermen returning from last year's 4-6-0 team but lost 16, including record-breaking passer Scotty Dyer, leading rusher Alex Stewart, punter Danny Lee and four members of the defensive front five.

Top candidates for the QB job are soph Brian Garriga (183), junior Tom Arnold (193) and big (6-4, 220) senior transfer Joe Bruner, who broke the game passing record for Memphis State two years ago.

Talented running backs are led by soph Doug Mayberry (197), who ran for 447 yards in '74. Senior Rod Alexander (197) also has some starting experience but a seldom-used soph, Ed Harris (191), probably has the most potential of all the candidates.

If the Indians come up with a passer, their aerial game should be excellent again because the receiving corps is outstanding. Little Harvey Johnson (165), a 9.4 sprinter, set a school record with 37 catches last year and towering tight end Fred Coleman (6-4, 230) caught 25 and made the college division all-America second team.

Other able receivers are 9.5 sprinter Gerald Prince (181), Frank Maxwell (6-4, 183) and Darrell Benner (184), who is also the top candidate to replace NLU's all-time punting leader, Danny Lee, now with the New Orleans Saints.

There are experienced blockers up front led by Academic All-America tackle Mike Bialas (240). Other top offensive linemen are tackles Mike Shepherd (237), Gary Warner (242) and Kent Adams (240), guards Dub Hatten (233), Marty Probst (229), Danny Pearson (225) and John Fleming (240) and centers Plez Jenkins (238) and Mike Andrews (194).

In the defensive line, there is only one returning starter, but he's a great one—nose guard Glenn Fleming (242), a first team college division All-America for two years in a row. Top candidates for the vacancies are ends Richard Frederickson (216) and ex-linebacker Greg Manley (200) and tackles Paul Early (250), Ken Ivory (226), Mike Heenan (218) and Gary Vaughan (6-7, 265).

John Vice (212) and Dexter Naylor (205), starters as freshmen last year, are top linebackers and they're backed by Phil Elmore (226) and Larry Hathorn (211).

The placekicking will again be handled by David Shrader, who connected on 4 of 9 field goal attempts and 16 of 20 PAT tries a year ago.

GULF SOUTH CONFERENCE

With the Southland Conference now NCAA Division I, the GSC is considered the toughest

NCAA Division II football league in the nation.

Overall balance has kept Gulf South teams out of the playoffs. The GSC champ for the past two years has failed to march through its conference schedule without a loss.

Jacksonville, last year's winner, is favorite again, but the Gamecocks must face six of eight GSC opponents on the road.

JACKSONVILLE STATE—Other than playing a heavy road slate and finding a long-distance threat on offense, coach Clarkie Mayfield is happy to have familiar offense faces returning.

In Calvin Word (215), the Jaxmen have a little All-America performer at tackle, and solid blockers in center Mike Chappell (225), tight ends Howard Preskitt (185) and James Coleman (225), guard John Chaney (225), and fullback Mike Hobson (190).

Also returning is quarterback Larry Barnes, a capable signal-caller who directed the Gamecocks to the GSC title. In addition to Hobson, Barnes has tailback Ken Calleja back. Hobson gained 585 yards last fall while Calleja had 571. Barnes rushed for 420 yards and completed 36 of 39 passes for 506 yards.

Defensively, the Gamecocks will have two all-conference down linemen to build around along with three starting linebackers and two defensive backs.

DELTA STATE—Following a second straight 8-3 finish, Coach Robert McGraw's Statesmen may be ready to win it all.

McGraw has most of his offensive unit back, including quarterback Bobby Barrett, the GSC total offense leader in 1974 with 1601 yards. Flanker Billy Hood (41 catches, 667 yards) and tailback Willie Dickson (929 yards rushing) gives the Statesmen attack plenty of punch. Split end Mark Seals, and another wide receiver, Jerry Pickle, also return.

The offensive line is solid and is led by center Archie James, guard Lawrence Moaton, tackles Greg Griffith and Lynn Buckhaults, and tight end Ronnie Meredith.

Top defensive returnees include ends Ricky Lewis and Chuck Booth, tackle Wayne Pope, guard Jimmy Williams, linebacker Willie Miller, cornerback Tommy Woodson, and strong safety Mike Davis.

LIVINGSTON—With 19 starters returning from last year's 8-3 squad, Coach Mickey King's Livingston Tigers will be tough.

King, last year's "Coach of the Year," should have an easy task with two All-GSC performers, four NAIA District 27 All-Stars, four All-Alabama picks, and one NAIA honorable mention All-America returning.

Defensively, All-GSC linebacker Jerry Pitts returns with eight other defensive starters.

Returning backfield starters include fullback Ricky Austin (842 yards), halfbacks Jackie O'Neal (583 yards) and Mike Wimberly (530 yards), along with alternating soph quarterbacks Ricky Seal (422 yards) and Willie Slater (344 yards).

Guards Teddy Saenz, an honorable mention All-

America, and Tony Holmes, highlight the offensive line.

NORTH ALABAMA—After dropping six consecutive games, Coach Mickey Andrews' young Lions roared down the stretch, dumping four straight opponents including a 28-24 victory over GSC champ Jacksonville.

The Lions return soph. quarterback Steve Clark and flanker Roger Ralph. Clark completed 73 passes for 986 yards and seven touchdowns and Ralph caught 46 passes for 700 yards and seven TDs.

Fullback Jerry Mizell and running backs Marc Merritt and Burnis Rose are returning, along with offensive guard Barry Johnson.

Top defenders back include ends Frank Deliz, Tobin Sexton, and Robert Harris, linebackers Lawrence Stephens, Ivan Richard, Norman Sims, and John Connell, and backs Jim Ezell, Mike McCombs, and Clayton Lundy.

SOUTHEASTERN LOUISIANA—Among the 37 lettermen returning is the Lions' nucleus of excellent running backs, headed by Horace Belton and Rogers Wilson. Belton scored 90 points, gaining 1061 yards rushing while earning All-GSC honors. Wilson set a new GSC record by averaging 7.6 yards rushing while gaining 491 yards.

Some of the top defensive returnees are linebacker Mike Hornsby, cornerback Don Short and defensive end Wayne Faul. Offensively, tackle Jim Greer, guard Sonny Depreo and centers Bill Murray and Robert Fryant lead the way.

Coach Billy Brewer hopes to complement his "Wing Bone" offense with an effective aerial game as lettermen quarterbacks Jay Lang and Jay Daniel battle transfer Don Griffin for signal calling duties.

TROY STATE—After a disappointing 6-4-0 season, Coach Tom Jones must now replace an offensive line and stabilize a young defense.

The Trojans have a big "plus"—split end Perry Griggs. As a soph, Griggs was GSC's "Offensive Player of the Year" and won the same honor for the state of Alabama.

Griggs accounted for 1085 all-purpose yards and is one of five offensive starters returning. Quarterback Bobby Lee is back along with running back Winston Boyd and tackle Bill Gaither. Ronnie Hannah will fill one guard slot. Nine lettermen return on defense.

NICHOLLS STATE—The Colonels have 23 seniors returning. All-GSC punter Terry Magee and All-GSC defensive back Gary Barbaro head the list.

Also back is defensive back Allen Danos, GSC's "Defensive Player of the Week" and defensive end Richard Berard, a UPI "National Lineman of the Week."

Soph quarterback Ted Bergeron gets strong competition from senior Craig McCullough and soph Sid Swaim. Bergeron completed 51 passes for 607 yards, seven TDs.

Also returning are tailback Steve Stropolo and runningbacks Ricky Lovell and Ronald Joseph.

Receiving is headed by flanker Ed Davis and tight end Gerald Butler.

The offensive line will depend on guards Elijah Hensley and Chuck Beebe, tackles Peter Orgeron and Keith Crawford, and center Mike McMinn.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE—Coach John Williams' Choctaws ended up 2-9 after being forced to forfeit three games because of the unintentional use of an ineligible player.

Offense returnees include wide receiver Robert Hill, a speed merchant. Also featured will be soph quarterback Dave Marler, running backs Ezra Tate and Ross Holleyman, and split ends Les Kimbrough and Terry Blalock.

Defensively, 10 defensive starters are returning, led by middle linebacker Larry Evans.

The kicking game has Marler handling placements and soph Pete Hurt, punting.

To strengthen his offensive line, Williams signed eight hefty linemen to provide depth in the forward wall.

NORTHWESTERN LOUISIANA—New head coach A. L. Williams has 11 starters returning from a team that won just one game in 1974.

Returning is quarterback Butch Ballard, an All-GSC performer who passed for 1668 yards and Sidney Thornton, 217-pound fullback who averaged 5.2 yards rushing. Offensive guard Stan Foster also returns.

Defensively, eight regulars, led by cornerback Jarvis Blinks and tackles Bobby Kirchoff and Jerry Edwards will be back.

(UT) MARTIN—Graduation virtually wiped out the offensive and defensive line, and there are "ifs" in the backfield where new coach George MacIntyre plans to install a veer offense.

Quarterbacks John Tucker and Bill Staehs will be pressed by Danny Walker and transfer Charlie Gragg.

Running backs who must deliver are L. D. McClellan, Larry Washington, Randy Cousar and newcomer Henry "Sweet Cake" Williams.

On defense a complete revamping is in order. Mike Peebles and Mike McConkey provide experience at linebacker and the backfield returns starters Brian Arquitt, Gary Guthrie and Gary Watts.

Also on hand are placekicker Mickey Hamilton and punter Jim Valdes.

OHIO VALLEY CONFERENCE

EASTERN KENTUCKY—The Colonels, defending OVC champions, return a wealth of experience at nearly every position and should be a solid favorite to repeat in 1975.

Head coach Roy Kidd, last year's OVC "Coach of the Year," welcomed back 43 lettermen from last season's 8-2 club, including All-America tailback Everett Talbert and five All-OVC performers.

The 5-8, 176-pound Talbert, a junior, finished second in the nation (Division II) last season in rushing with 1478 yards and an average of 147.8 per game.

Talbert was selected the top offensive player in the OVC in 1973.

Other all-conference performers are receiver John Revere (29 for 619 yards, seven TDs), offensive tackle Robyn Hatley (6-2, 236), offensive guard Joe Alvino (6-1, 207), place-kicker Earl Cody (9-10 FGs) and defensive tackle Junior Hardin (6-1, 243).

Chief problems will be the location of replacements for quarterback Jeff McCarthy and All-OVC linebacker Stan Roberts.

WESTERN KENTUCKY—The stiffest challenge for the conference top spot could come from the Hilltoppers. With a solid defense and improved offense, coach Jimmy Feix has the necessary tools to better last year's 7-3 record.

Western's league-leading defense (fourth in the nation) will be centered around All-OVC linebacker Rick Green (6-0, 210) and defensive end Keith Tandy (6-3, 195). Other top regulars returning on defense are tackle Dale Young (5-11, 185) and Rich Caswell (5-10, 175).

Sophomore tailbacks Lawrence Jefferson, James Jones and Mike Hayes, along with several outstanding recruits, will carry the offensive burden. Top quarterback candidates to replace graduated Dennis Tomek include Bill Smith and Doug Davis.

TENNESSEE TECH—Coach Don Wade should present a strong challenge this season as the Golden Eagles have 41 lettermen back plus a bevy of newcomers.

After finishing third last season, it appears Tech could go higher with the return of defensive regulars like tackle Tony Plavich (6-2, 215), Eddie Nunley (5-10, 190), Howard Stidham (6-2, 200) and Ronnie Fain (6-2, 212). The Golden Eagles' defense yielded just 218.4 yards per game last year.

Tech wound up sixth in team offense last season which means some changes might be necessary. Backfield regulars returning include quarterback Gary Perdue (42 of 113, 1 TD) and hard-running tailback Mike DeRossett.

EAST TENNESSEE—Roy Frazier's Buccaneers will bank on experience and momentum from a strong finish to improve on last year's 4-6-1 record.

Sophomore George Fugate (578 yards) established himself as one of the best runningbacks in the OVC last season. To complement Fugate, Frazier recruited several talented junior college runners to balance his running attack.

The quarterback spot will be manned by either senior Lee Trawick (14 of 51) or sophomore Gary Jennings (14 of 35).

Heading the list of defensive regulars are linebackers Pee Wee Brown (5-10, 213) and Andy Whetsel (6-0, 200).

AUSTIN PEAY—The Governors' hopes of improving on last year's 3-7-1 record may depend on successful rebuilding of the offensive line and a new face at quarterback.

Coach Jack Bushofsky returns 16 starters, including All-OVC defensive back Robert Tripp (five interceptions, 54 solo tackles and 28 assists) and tail-

back Henry Yarber, selected to the All-OVC second team as a freshman. Bushofsky rates Yarber as the best young runningback in the conference.

Junior college transfer James Green (6-1, 240) has been added to the defensive front line to complement regulars Paul Mayer (6-2, 220), Jimmy Reynolds (5-7, 205) and Mark Webb (6-2, 225). Coveak Moody, Don Derrick and Mike Elmore will probably join Tripp in the secondary. Junior Tim Maxwell and soph Connie Tripp are top quarterback candidates.

MURRAY STATE—After fashioning a 9-2 season a year ago, losing only two OVC games along the way, the Racers face some rebuilding with losses at quarterback, tailback and several spots in the offensive line.

Tackle Jay Waddle (6-2, 235) and back Bruce Walker provide the experience element in coach Bill Furgerson's defensive unit. Other regulars returning on defense are end Matt Schappert (6-3, 202), linebacker Dan Hettich (6-1, 214), end Larry Jasper (6-2, 200), tackle Robert West (6-2, 212) and back Mark Hickman (6-0, 185).

Receiver Willie DeLoach (16 for 112, two TDs) is the main target for the Racers. The quarterback spot is up for grabs with Mike Hobbie the top candidate to replace Tom Pandolfi. Fullback B. F. Behrendt is the only starter returning in the offensive backfield.

MIDDLE TENNESSEE—The Blue Raiders not only have a new coach in Bill Hurt, but mostly new faces in the lineup.

Hopes for improving last year's 3-8 record rests in the return of 31 lettermen and outstanding recruits. Bobby Joe Easter, used at different spots last season, will probably be paired with speedy Mike Moore to give the Blue Raiders one of the most explosive backfields in the OVC.

The offensive line includes All-OVC second-teamer Eddie Wright (6-2, 216) and a host of new faces. Linebacker Melvin Boyd (6-0, 206) and backs John Emert (5-11, 180), Leigh Kolka (6-3, 190), Johnny Carver (5-11, 163) and Sonny Anderson (5-11, 173) are the defensive standouts.

MOREHEAD—Eighth a year ago, the Eagles are poised now to make their move upward behind a veteran offensive unit. The only fly in the Morehead ointment is the frantic search for a proven quarterback.

Coach Roy Terry returns 20 starters from the last game of the season, including All-OVC receiver Keith Mescher (36 for 542, three TDs) and defensive back Vic Williams. Heading the list of defensive regulars back are end Joe Dillow (6-2, 230), tackle Mark Marksbury (6-2, 235) and linebacker Steve Fleak (6-1, 190).

Bill Van Wagner (6-3, 240) will anchor the offensive line but the Eagles will be looking for replacements in the backfield for tailback Frank Jones and quarterback Alex Brawner. Top quarterback candidate is Terry Flowers (22 or 47, 275 yards, three TDs).



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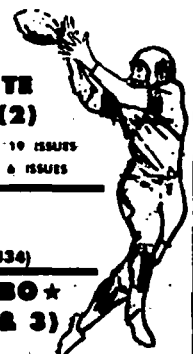
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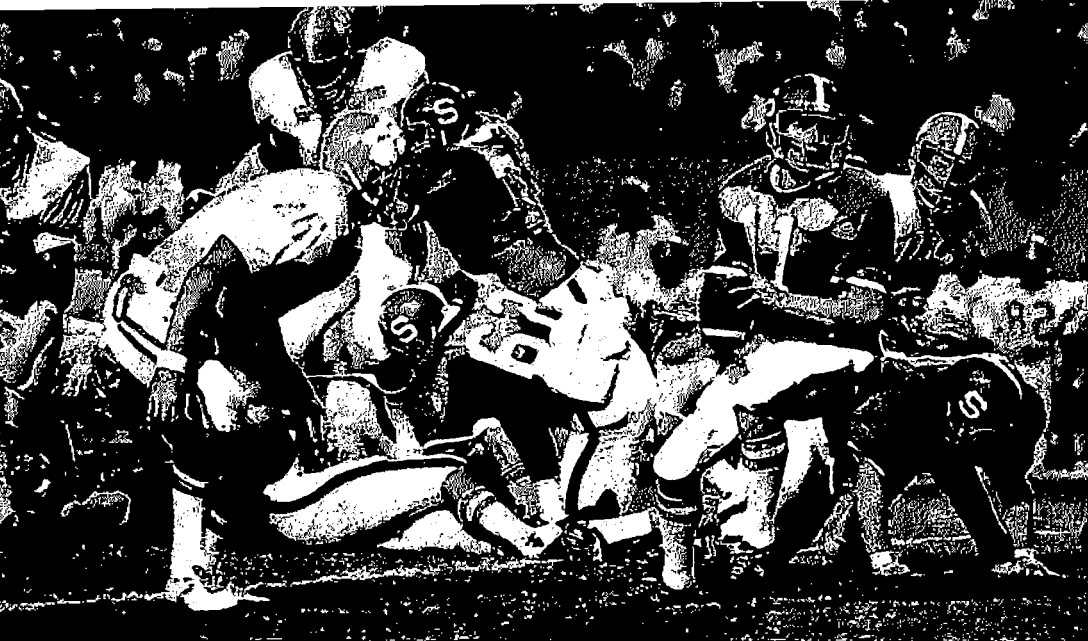
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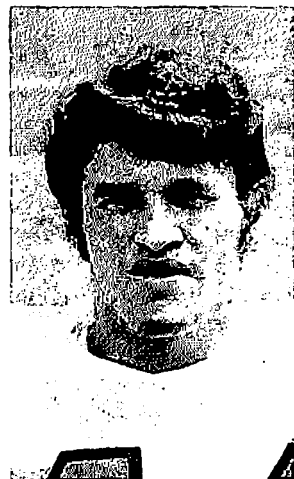
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Atlantic Coast and Southern

LOU HOLZ' WOLFPACK ON PROWL AGAIN; VMI SHOWS MUSCLE IN SOUTHERN

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| 3. Miss. Valley State | 7. Prairie View |
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Lucid Lou Holtz is a stalker. He stalks the sidelines, clipboard in hand, when it isn't being slammed to the turf in disgust or disbelief, the option being his as head coach. He wears a Wolfpack red baseball cap, when he doesn't slam it, too, on the ground, same reasons. And really same results, nil.

He just has to get it out of his system. Even at

the spring Red-White game in N.C. State's Carter Stadium, he stalked, even though allegedly seated in a neutral scouting box in the press area. He had no clipboard, just a pipe that couldn't hold fire because he got so involved in the game he forgot to draw. He had no ball cap, just a white pork-pie with a Mickey Mouse on front. One of his sons shoved it at him the last minute before leaving home.

But, seated, he stalked, and that takes a miracle man, which Lou Holtz has been called in the Wolfpack's rise to red-and-white prominence in recent football seasons. His pipe stalked, his hat stalked, he yelled, "Throw it, throw it," at coaches who were more than telephones away (because somebody disconnected one phone from the head coach, and who could blame him?).

Holtz wanted a tie score, because "sudden death" had been planned. He stalked as the margin got down to 20-14, and finally 21-20. Even spring games, where the results never get officially recorded, except in the Holtz camp, finds the man stalking. At N.C. State these Red-White finals are serious (seniors drafted by the coaches, then the seniors drafting the underclassmen). The year before, the winning team, allegedly, stunted on defense inside the five, and stopped the losers. It took a month to ease that rift.

The Wolfpack lost last fall to multiple-arch-rival North Carolina by a bunch and to eventual ACC champion Maryland in a defensive struggle, but the Pack growled like a pack of wild wolves at the finish. It toppled Penn State (then No. 7 nationally) and Arizona State in Tempe (then No. 11). They went to the Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl and came from the Astrodome backrooms, which usually have no exits, to beat hometeam Houston in the final seconds, and Holtz was stalking for "sudden death." He may well take that campaign to the NCAA convention floor or the smoke-filled room of the football rules committee meeting, where his pipe would be lit. Guarantee.

For the fourth straight year he wants a 400-yard offense (after 432.5, 409.9, 406.1), and he's got senior Dave Buckey to do it. Dave Buckey? As a senior he's already won three varsity letters as QB, has a 12-2 record in games he started. Holtz, probably, quits stalking when he talks about Buckey: "I can't believe there's a better quarterback in America." They don't have many in other countries, of course. He goes on: "He runs the offense, he throws the ball, he has leadership, he handles the play-calling. I don't know what more you want out of

a young man." He thought for a moment about the collegiate ultimate, which seldom comes South: "Yes, the Heisman. Sure, the quarterback has a better chance. If a running back ever gets it, he's got to carry the ball 45 times a game. I realize, we'd have to have a great football team for Dave to get it, but he's the best collegiate football player I ever saw. We've watched him so long do so many things."

But, with Buckey, the Pack has a sworn goal which will be difficult indeed. It has to replace the Maryland Terrapins, coach Jerry Claiborne's senior-dominated aggregation which lost 18 of the regular 24, meaning both units and the two kicking specialists, each of the latter being national stars. The Pack's challenge will come from Clemson and Duke.

The Southern Conference's winners circle a year ago was surrounded by a military band, directed by a true general and won by Virginia Military Institute. It was, possibly, college football's story of the year, as the Keydets beat East Carolina in the final game and walked right straight up to the throne, no backseat stuff. Bob Thalman was coach of the year, in District 3 and the SC, but really for the whole country. He is picked to repeat, but he must have another miracle. Houdini Thalman found a QB in the defensive unit last fall, now he's got to go out among the citizens of Lexington, Va., and discover another. Sniper fire will come from Appalachian, The Citadel, East Carolina and everybody except Davidson, which ought to give up football or at least in the SC.

Jim Carlen, who did the rebuilding work at West Virginia and Texas Tech, has the same pitch at South Carolina this year, and he will vie with Virginia Tech for top independent in the region.

Alcorn State and Grambling are picked in the Southwest AC; Howard (which plays its home games in big, beautiful RFK Stadium in Washington) and South Carolina State in the Mid-Eastern; Hampton and Livingstone in the CIAA. They comprise the strength of the 47 black colleges in the country.

Lenoir Rhyne withdrew from the Carolinas Conference, effective in May, and it became a non-conference. Elon is still the king.

North Carolina coach Bill Dooley had real problems by late summer. Chris Kupec, All-ACC QB, felt he had a hardship year of eligibility under revised NCAA regulations, but the ACC did not follow suit. So Kupec filed suit, and in addition his lawyers contested an alleged anti-trust alignment where all ACC schools had to compensate the same scholarship. It would be an NCAA explosion, if the court approved. Then, too, Bill Paschall, his No. 2 QB, was also a good baseball pitcher, and awaited the major league June draft.

A year ago Randy White of Maryland won the Outland Award as college football's best interior lineman. It led to a strong push for the area, four of the NFL's first six draft choices came from the group covered. White was No. 2 (by Dallas), North Carolina's offensive guard Ken Huff No. 3 (by Baltimore), Jackson State's running back Walter Payton No. 4 (Chicago) and Jackson's linebacker Robert Brazile No. 6 (Houston). By the start of the 1975 NFL roster, Grambling had 17 listed.

It also brought the 1975 nominations for All-America, as follows: Johnny Miller, nose guard, Livingstone; Mike Green, tight end, Western Carolina; Ronnie Moore, wide receiver, Virginia Military; Brian Ruff, linebacker, The Citadel; Bennie Cunningham, tight end, Clemson; James Betterton, running back, North Carolina; Ernie Clark, LB-DE, Duke; Dave Buckey, QB, N.C. State; Scott Gardner, QB, Virginia; Tom Glassic, offensive guard, Virginia; Lawrence Pillars, defensive guard, Alcorn State; Parnell Dickinson, QB, Miss. Valley State.

And why Ernie Clark at two positions? Coach McGee shifted him to linebacker in the spring, then Clark was hurt. After the spring game, McGee reasoned: "He's played three years at end, four days at linebacker, we've got to reserve opinion on that, don't we?"

1974 records in parenthesis, first conference, then overall:

ATLANTIC COAST CONFERENCE

N.C. STATE—(4-2-0, 9-2-0). The Wolfpack closed out last fall with regular season victories over Penn State and Arizona State, notable achievement in itself, then a last-minute Bluebonnet Bowl tie with Houston. It was certainly a springboard for North Carolina State this season, and Coach Lou Holtz intends to keep it that way. He has 38 returning lettermen, and although they include only 11 returning starters, they present a lot of game time. All except one starting post will have a letterman, and at that spot, strong defensive end, soph Jeff Easter (6-6, 202) currently holds the spot with ex-regular Clarence Cotton, moved to back up the weak end. Another strong graduation class (2nd year in a row) has been replaced by the strength of a sound Holtz program.

Dave Buckey is now a senior, ready for his fourth letter. His 1616 total offense yards ranked 2d in the ACC, his 105-for-162 gave him a 63.8 passing percentage. Holtz will have soph Johnny Evans (who QBd some) as a running back in the Buckey backfield, along with Tommy London, plus support from such runners as Buster Ray, Timmy Johnson, Larry Morrissey, Mike Lucido, Richard Carter and Horace Whitaker. The Pack has had excellent runners. Up front guard Tom Serfass (6-0, 233) and tackle Mike Fagan (6-2, 220) return as starters, along with the QB's twin brother, Don Buckey, who will be the split end with soph Elijah Marshall. The unit thinks only in terms of yards and points, in reverse order.

Middle guard Tom Higgins (6-2, 229 and tough) and end Ron Banther return to their old positions, while Jack Hall returns at linebacker, teaming with junior Bill Cherry. Ralph Stringer and Eddie Poole are again in the secondary, with Darryl Jackson and Richard Wheeler, and it is Stringer who keeps people excited. Of Stringer, Holtz says, "May be the best cornerback this side of the Rockies. Only player on the squad who could start at any one of five different positions, an idea of how much football talent he has." He's a return specialist, and the Wolfpack will need some of that to go with another 400-plus-

yard offensive in this return year. Return to the ACC championship.

CLEMSON—(4-2-0, 7-4-0). The Tigers don't care to talk about Texas A&M and Maryland, but they came out clawing and scratching for the rest of that 1974 schedule which resulted in the best Clemson record in seven years. But it galls the Tigers that they were robbed at Tennessee (28-27) and that North Carolina, whom they beat 52-32, got the Sun Bowl. It just makes ACC coach of the year Red Parker get a little redder in determination. "The Tiger Triple," which he calls the offense, came up with Ken Pengitore his first year, and Ken made All-ACC; then it was Mark Fellers a year ago. Who will be the QB for this run at the big championship? Junior Mike O'Cain came off the bench to beat Georgia and Georgia Tech, for the year carried 75 times and passed 34 more, so he has experience under game conditions. Except for those lead-in mentions above, the Tiger offense did a good job, and the Head Tiger (QB) will again be the key.

Parker has a better than average lair of ball-carriers, mainly Ken Callicutt, whose leading 809 yards came with a 5.6 average, and Don Testerman, 368 and an even better 5.8 average carry. They are backed by Leon Hope and William Scott, with experience; Fritz Edwards and speedy Thomas Eley. Big, versatile Bennie Cunningham (6-5, 252), All-ACC, had 24 catches and 44 points from his tight end spot, and split receivers will be soph Steve Gibbs and junior Rickey Bustle. Three regulars up front are gone, replaced by junior George Jehlen center, soph Lacy Brumley and Ed Homonoff, guards. The top four tackles return: Gary Alexander (236), Frank Bethea (229), Neal Jetton (237) and David LeBel (229).

The defense lost only four starters. Lettermen Tim Blackwelder, Gary Kesack and Frank Wise will vie for the end positions left open, and three experienced tackles, Jerome Hill, G. G. Galloway and Nelson Wallace, will man those spots, plus the vacated middle guard. Tiger linebackers rank with the best, Jimmy Williamson and Tim Stough, and Dennis Smith and Peanut Martin, injured part of last season, give the secondary the savvy needed to combat the schedule which includes five teams that played in post-season bowl games. The Tigers are just as convinced today as they were last December, they should have been bowl-bound, too.

DUKE—(2-4-0, 6-5-0). Mike McGee is still young enough that he can adjust to the ever changing situation in coaching college football. His Blue Devil offense, which got 177.5 yards rushing and 153.1 passing per game, sounding like a balanced diet, came up with two touchdowns or less in six games last fall. McGee reasoned after spring work: "We have some young and very fine backs, and we want to get three of them in the backfield together. To do so, we had the choice of using the wishbone or the slot, and we chose the latter." Of five tailbacks who have started one or more games, only one is a senior. McGee quickly notes, "That means, we have them again next season." Art Gore (627 yds, 5.0

avg) gets the first call, along with fullback Tony Benjamin (381 yds) as the running backs, and they are supported by Larry Martinez (who led the nation's scoring until injury at mid-season), Mike Barney (6-3, 201, soph) and speedy Bob Pruitt, another soph.

Two QBs return to direct this new slot-T. Bob Corbett (6-2, 190) came in to help early last fall, then got hurt, and senior Hal Spears (6-1, 183) finished the season with 1239 yds total offense, 5th best in the ACC. Chuck Williamson is the slotback. Wide receivers are Troy Slade (All-ACC as kick returner) and Larry Upshaw, and the offensive line is anchored by center Bill Bryan (6-2, 232) and tackle Gary Pellom (6-2, 230), while seniors Pat Smathers and Tyrel Schneck are guards, Jim Fehling the other tackle, Reed Olson the tight end. Sophomores battle for every position in the line. A young, but most talented group.

Some changes appear in the defense, always a McGee forte. Trying to strengthen the middle, Dave Meier, team captain, moved to middle linebacker, and that meant Ernie Clark, outstanding end, stepped back a few steps. So did Jeff Green, another end. The secondary has experience: Earl Cook, Laniel Crawford (who blocked two punts), Rod Sensibaugh, Bob Grupp. The front four finds returning regular Dave Dusek and converted tackle Elmer Gilson at ends, Sonny Falcone and Steve Edwards (or maybe 6-6, 210 Maurice Corders) inside. It has shored up the middle.

MARYLAND—(6-0-0, 8-3-0). Talk about senior ball clubs, that's what Maryland was in its championship season just past. Eighteen of the 24 regulars, including the kickers who ranked with the best in the nation at their specialties, are gone, and 13 have signed with NFL teams. Coach Jerry Claiborne in his fourth year certainly faces a rebuilding assignment possibly unmatched in the country. But the Terrapins will start lettermen at every position, will have young talent to fill in, and Claiborne's revitalized College Park squad is still to be reckoned with on the national scene. But—and this is a big word—there will be some new faces among the Terrapins which face an early-season three-game road challenge.

The defense will have to try harder, because the pressure will be there. Half of the front six return, the whole right side, but guard Paul Divito (6-0, 220) and tackle Ralph Fisher, junior (6-1, 235), switched to the left, putting Fisher in Randy White's old death-to-the-enemy spot. Big Joe Campbell (6-5, 237), says Claiborne, can be as good as White, playing the other tackle with guard Ernie Salley and Leroy Hughes returning at end. Jim Brechbiel is called the "big play" athlete in the secondary, where he intercepts, blocks punts and field goal attempts, and probably sells programs in the stands as well. He simply takes the ball away from the opposition, but his young crew this fall will probably include Kevin Benson and Mike Miller as linebackers, Mike Cielensky and Pete Zachary deeper.

One of the two sophomores to start, Mark Manges (Salley being the other), gets the QB call, as he did

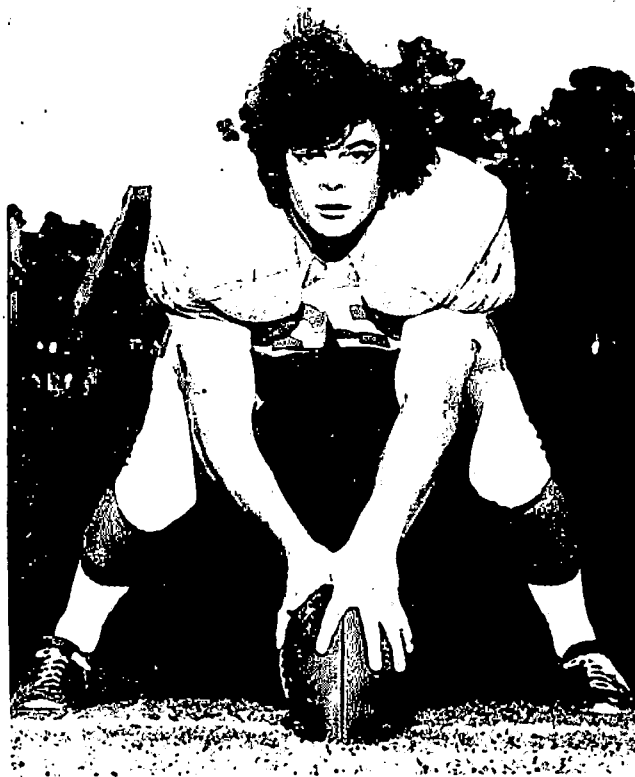
on numerous occasions in the past big season. The 6-2, 200 star was the Terps' third rusher, also 64 percent of his 25 passes. His wingback, John Schultz, returns, an effective runner, getting nine TDs, eight coming on plays inside the 10. Tailback Rick Jennings engineered 470 yards, will team with fullback Tim Wilson. Up front John Nash (6-0, 240) is starting guard, and his mates, all lettermen, will be Richard Schmaltz and Bob Raba ends, Tom Schick and John Zernhelt tackles, Ed Fulton guard and Eugene Ochap center. New faces? No question about that, but the Terrapins have their pace set.

VIRGINIA—(1-5-0, 4-7-0). This is the second year of Ulmo Shannon Randle in Charlottesville. The offense is okay, the defense has to dig in with new diggers. To achieve that goal, Coach Sonny Randle has become known as "The Toughest Taskmaster in Thomas Jefferson's Town." It's a title he proudly wears, because he works with a square jaw and determination. After seven games last fall the Cavaliers were led by the nation's no. 1 total offense QB, Scott Gardner, a delayed injury, known as "foot drop," dropped him off the field, and the Cavaliers were 1-3 in the final four Saturdays. Randle outlined a tough conditioning program, and 18 scholarship players threw in their uniforms.

Gardner can move the Cavaliers. Through seven games he had hit 110 of 195 passes for 1344 yards and 14 TDs, also running 81 times for 232. His 225.1 game average, if continued, would have won the national title. Four junior running backs return: Joe Sroba 632 yards, David Sloan 407, Billy Copeland 384 and Don Flow 328. Returning receivers caught 116 passes for 1245 yards, led by soph flanker Tommy Fadden (34-416) and tight ends Jim Coleran and Jim Wicks. The line is big—center Rich Switalski (6-5, 240), a two-yard starter; guards Tom Glassic (6-5, 250), 3-yr starter, and Dennis Kuczinski (6-3, 235), plus tackles Doug Parcells (6-2, 230) and Paul Tamulonis (6-4, 233). That bunch can run over a team.

But it's the defense where Randle is trying to work miracles. This unit probably couldn't beat the editorial staff of the student daily newspaper, a hard attacker of the Randle regime, but it will have to shape up nonetheless. Three regulars return. Two fine defensive ends are Mike Ozdowski (6-5, 218) and Bob Meade (6-3, 215), tackles being Dennis Hackworth (6-5, 250) and John Choma (6-5, 245), out all last season with injury. In the 4-4-3 defense, the linebackers were all seniors, so junior Frank Morris heads the applicants, and Jay Morris returns as a secondary starter. Sophs, even incoming freshmen, will get a call at all of these positions. Even the editor of the paper would be allowed to try out.

NORTH CAROLINA—(4-2-0, 7-4-0). Bill Dooley may be the dean of ACC football coaches, in number of years in the league, but when he looks around his current squad, he feels like a grandfather. He says, "They're all freshmen, I mean last season's freshmen. They have never been in a ball game." It's not quite that bad, because the Tar Heels, en route to the Sun Bowl, used a lot of the first-year talent. Only seven



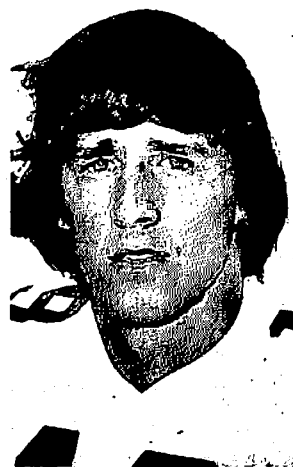
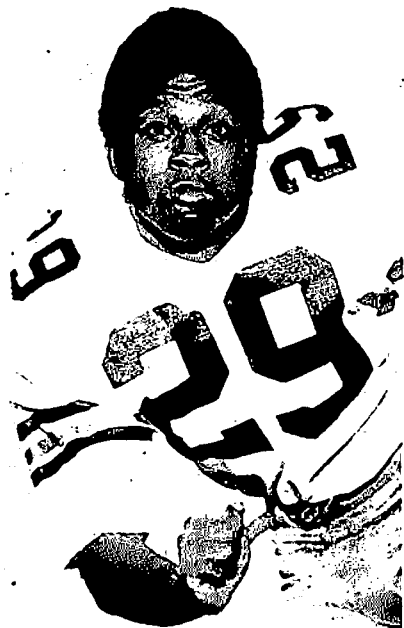
MARK CANTRELL, the N.C. bullish 234-pound center, is quick, tough blocker.



JAMES BETTERSON, North Carolina, rushed for more than 1000 yards last year.

seniors are on the club, and two of them, QBs Kupec and Paschall (as noted in this section's lead-in), may not come out. It would mean, in the extreme, developing a rookie quarterback with a rookie ball club, and when you have to play Ohio State and Notre Dame, as the Tar Heels do, you want a little more experience and practical knowledge of war.

Cris Kupec was All-ACC, and Bill Paschall a capable replacement. ACC hardship rules caught the former, the major league baseball draft might persuade pitcher Paschall to sign. Coach Dooley then has to go with sophs Johnny Stratton and Johnny Elam, or await incoming freshmen Matt Kupec, Chris' brother, or North Carolina's finest prep QB, P. J. Gay. The tailback spot produced two 1000-yard runners (1st time in NCAA annals), James Betterson (1082 in 209 carries) and Mike Voight (1033 in 203). They can move the ball. Fullback will be soph Tony Mills or Larry Tedder, wingback Charlie Williams. But up front only center Mark Cantrell (6-3, 234) and tackles Tommy Burkett (6-5, 266) and Mark Griffin (6-5, 222) have any experience at all. Sophomores get their shots.



BILL ARMSTRONG, the 6-4, 205-pound OT made 97 Wake Forest tackles.

ED MC DONALD, 6-0, 180, intercepted 4 passes, had 36 tackles for Deacons.



PHIL UPTON, VMI, guard, has started every game for the past three seasons.

RONNIE MOORE, all-time VMI wide receiver, also is top kick return whizz.



Defensively, the Tar Heels will use the 5-2 for the second year, and two of three senior starters (Cantrell at offensive center the other) will be at linebackers, Mark DiCarlo and Bobby Trott vying with Bobby Gay and Billy Murphy. Ron Johnson, voted the Erickson Award for most hustle in spring drills, and Russ Conley add experience in the secondary. Junior Rod Broadway (6-3, 250) and soph Dee Hardison (6-3, 245), who did so well in the Sun Bowl after injuries cut down starters, head the tackles, with Chuck Austin and Bill Perdue in charge of the terminals. It is a tremendous challenge. Added the coach: "It could really be solved with Kupec."

WAKE FOREST—(0-6-0, 1-10-0). Things had to get better. Cigar-chewing coach Chuck Mills would nod to that, whole-heartedly. The Deacons won't have to play three straight Saturdays at Oklahoma, at Penn State and at Maryland. That was part of a streak when the Deacons did not score a point for five games. But 38 lettermen return, remembering the worst experience possible, and they have some junior college transfers to help out. Nine of the offensive starters are back, and they know they got only 6.7 points per game, but they had injuries. Seven of the defensive unit returns. And they don't have trips to the Sooners and Nittany Lions.

Coach Mills, always practical, says, "We have a lot of ground to make up against many of our opponents," and that is obviously the truth. But two soph QBs, Mike McGlamry and Ron Everett, will be bolstered by juco transfer Jerry McManus (Lees McRae JC). Runner Frank Harsh as a senior (injury held him to only 56 carries last fall) should head that attack with Clark Gaines (329 yards) and Jim Mach (301). Gary Moody moved from defense to tight end, joining returning regular Tom Fehring and Steve Young, and juco transfer Alan Zyskowski (Grand Rapids JC) joins the receiving crew. The line includes tackles Lew Henderson (6-1, 240) and Rich Geiger (6-3, 250), guards Tom Parker (6-4, 240) and Randy Woodle (6-1, 225).

The Deacons can rely on returning starter Randy

Carroll at linebacker, where he rated the squad's top man in defensive points, 260. In the secondary there is experience with Bill Armstrong, Ed McDonald and Gary Hegh. Armstrong, moved from QB, became a secondary standout, having 97 tackles in only half a season. The line is neither big nor deep, but Mills had strengthened the prospects with jucos Danny White and Larry Rogers to go with returning defensive ends Doug Benfield and Dave LaCrosse. At the middle guard will be either Carmen Frangiosa or John Bryce. This defensive unit stayed on the field practically all fall, it seemed, and it is hoping to split time more equally with the offense.

SOUTHERN CONFERENCE

VIRGINIA MILITARY — (5-1-0, 7-4-0). Everybody marched along to the band of Keydets last fall, the first conference football championship in 12 years, a senior squad which culminated coach Bob Thalman's building program at the military institute. Now, the element of surprise is gone, the Keydets will get attention in advance. Four times last season they held the opposition to one touchdown or less, and every single man off this defensive unit returns. Of 41 lettermen, only nine are seniors and four have started, so it's a new Thalman team. But not the defense. Linebacker John Willison (team leader with 77 solos, 49 assists in tackles) was a national lineman of the week in the VMI drive to championship. Middle guard Phil Upton (who has started every game for three years), ends Glenn Jones and Terry White, and safety Johnny Garnett spark this strong unit. Its gutsy gambles, appreciated by the military-oriented, resulted in forced fumbles and interceptions.

Thalman considers himself the quarterback coach. Last fall he pulled Tony Farry off the defense to be the QB of the title team. Now, he's got to repeat somehow, maybe one of the young sophs, Bill Bailey (10 for 18, 163 yds in spring game), Mark Lambert or Jeff Yates. He does have tailback Kim Glidewell (764 yds) as rummer, All-SC Ronnie Moore as



DEVON FORD was nation's No. 4 punt returner in '74 for Appalachian St. team.



BRIAN RUFF, Citadel's all-conference linebacker, made 224 tackles in '74.

VMI's all-time leading pass receiver (and return specialist). Up front are All-SC center Doug Hines (6-3, 227), tackles Jerry Codutti (6-3, 255) and Ed Glackin (6-2, 235) who have started for two seasons. With a QB, the Keydets could march again, and that's exactly what was written a year ago.

APPALACHIAN—(4-1-0, 6-5-0). The Mountaineers were also the surprise of the conference a year ago, finishing 4-1 despite a surprise of their own, a late season loss at The Citadel. With 25 lettermen on hand, Coach Jim Brakefield looks at the coming year: "For the first time we have the depth and the size we need to compete." At the start, the Apps have two of the nation's best on their defensive spots. Joe Parker, now a junior, was the NCAA's No. 1 punter with a 44.3 average, and soph Devon Ford was the fourth best returning punts (16.2). Two young linebackers, Julius Thomas and Mike Staton, back up tackle Gilbert Rossie. Junior Quinton McKinney tops the secondary, where he intercepted five times last season.

Eight offensive linemen return with letters from the 1974 experience, and they include center Reid Squires (6-4, 232), guards Andre Staton and Tommy Sofield, tackles David Campbell and James Huffman. Split end Donnie Holt was the leading receiver (28 caught, 410 yds). Junior Robbie Price started seven games at QB, returns a scrambling threat in the wishbone (passed 29 for 68, 379 yds), and his backfield includes Emmitt Hamilton, Calvin Simon (100 yards in Richmond finale) and fullback Richard Patrick. The Apps are apt to come strong this time of year when the leaves turn bright in the mountains. Maybe a beautiful incentive.

THE CITADEL—(3-4-0, 4-7-0). "We have more talent. We're bigger, faster and more experienced, and our schedule is reasonable." That's how Coach Bobby Ross summed up the third season outlook with the Bulldogs, and the potential of a conference challenge is certainly there at The Citadel. There are 15 returning starters and 34 lettermen, and the Bull-

dogs finished last season with two impressive victories over conference foes. Andrew Johnson, senior fullback, was SC player of the year with an amazing rushing record (1372 yds on 248 carries 6th in nation). With QB Gene Dotson on hand again, the Bulldogs want some passing to go with Johnson's journeys, so the spring game saw 58 passes put up (34 completed, 399 yds, 5 TDs). With the offense are tight end Dickie Regan (6-4, 207), tackle Paul Sumner, guards Jerald Snow (6-2, 251) and Stan Brooks, along with flanker Doug Johnson who led the club with 38 passes caught.

The Bulldogs also return an All-SC player on defense, linebacker Brian Ruff (6-0, 222) who led the team with tackles, 224 total, 109 primary. Junior transfer Greg James (6-3, 225) moves into defensive tackle, with regular Carl Vick, guards David Sollaz and Tony Starks, end Ron Shelly, secondary men Tony Kimbrell, Stan Yarborough and Ralph Ferguson. "Our goals," said Ross, "are to win at least nine games and take the conference championship. Not unreasonable goals."

EAST CAROLINA—(3-3-0, 7-4-0). Pat Dye, age 35, had an unusual New Year's Day. He watched bowl television. For nine straight years, as a Bear Bryant assistant, he had been there in person, and he got itchy. His first East Carolina team went 7-4, but it was new to him. This year, after spring work, Coach Dye says it's "the difference of night and day." He's got the offensive line intact, most of the backfield, but he's got to put in a pass play or two in his wishbone. The Pirates averaged 4.7 yds on 643 rushes last season, but completed only 24 passes all year. And this year the Pirates have three ACC opponents (opening with N.C. State, then North Carolina and Virginia late). Guard Jimbo Walker (6-2, 227) and tackle Rick Bennett (6-3, 225) made all-SC, and they are rejoined by Larry Lundy, Tim Hightower and Wayne Bolt. Mike Weaver QBd the wishbone well, except for his throwing, and he returns Ken Strayhorn (635 yds) and Bobby Wyrick (398).

The defense was the Pirate strength a year ago, and they called themselves "The Wild Dogs" for good reason. One lineman, tackle Willie Bruant (6-0, 240), goes again as a starter, so that means much work must be done up front. However, all-SC Jim Bolding, Ernest Madison, Reggie Pinkney and Greg Pingston played intact last fall, and guard Cary Godette could be moved to linebacker. This may call on more punting from Gill Job, whose job last fall brought a 40-plus average for No. 2 in the conference. There are 43 Pirate lettermen on hand, a goodly number, and for Pat Dye, another big challenge to forego Jan. 1 TV.

FURMAN—(2-4-0, 5-6-0). Art Baker goes into his third year as head coach not knowing really what to expect. He first took over a Paladin team which had gone 2-9 and improved it to 7-4, one of 1973's top jobs. Then, based on his young talent, Baker was a SC favorite near the top, and the Paladins ended up next to the bottom. Both years the defense carried the club to its success, and that appears to be the 1975 call as well. Ranking among the nation's top

15 on defense, Furman returns tackles Tony Cox and Bobby Church, middle guard Frank Moses (who missed the late season with ankle injury), end Tommy Marshall. Linebackers are again Larry Anderson and Steve Wilson, but only free safety Curtis Byrd and cornerback Mark Mosher return from a secondary that had two outstanding seasons. Said Baker, "For the first time since I have been here, we have experience at every defensive position."

For Baker's two years, the offense seemed to spit and sputter. The first season it ran long TDs but failed to score in close. Last fall it was fumbles. Junior QB David Whitehurst had an excellent spring game, backed by tailback Larry Robinson (733 yds, after 900-plus as a freshman) and fullback Ike Simpson (5.4 yds per carry), Transfer Dick Wier (South Carolina) may break in. Tight end Brette Simmons (2nd receiver) returns, and Tom Southard has been switched from defense to flanker. Several linemen dropped out of school, but the Paladin front has experience: guard John Forbes, tackles Jeff Holcomb and Mike Gibbs. Coach Baker's big cooking job this fall will have to be the offense.

RICHMOND—(3-3-0, 5-5-0). This will be Richmond's last season in the Southern Conference, the administration deciding to go independent. It may be just as long a fall for Coach Jim Tait as his first one, the Spiders being far off their talent loft of past conference campaigns. They did figure in the SC title race last fall, beating VMI, then losing to Appalachian, but it was not the Spiders involved themselves. Three times the defense completely fell apart, and this fall Coach Tait has seven regulars returning. They include tackles Garland Branch, soph, and Orlandus Branch, junior; end Mike Copley; linebacker Dave Sowder; backs Jeff Satyshur and George Perry. To bolster this portion of the Spider web, seven junior college transfers are on campus, including linebackers Dave Templeton and Steve Dodd, tackles Frank Blue, Dickie Childress and Gary Edwards.

Finding a quarterback is another major job for Tait. Harry Knight, who did the job for three years, is gone, as well as the top receivers. Experienced at blocking will be guard Doug McGee, a Canadian, and tackle Rodney Elam, at 6-2, 220 the biggest man on the starting offensive line, another of the Spider problems. Larry Shaw got in four games at QB, had only 24 plays with the ball, but he rates the top QB ahead of soph David Taylor and Milton Ruffin. Bob Allen was the second rusher (363 yds), and he spots the attack, which will be bolstered by incoming freshmen.

WILLIAM & MARY—(2-3-0, 4-7-0). Coach Jim Root has got to find a quarterback quick, especially with W&M's first four games on the road (at North Carolina, East Carolina, Pittsburgh, The Citadel). Two are conference games, the other two real toughies. All-SC Bill Deery played about all the quarterback, meaning senior Paul Kruis got in seven games, playing sparingly. He gets the current call to direct the Indian veer. Tailback Tommy Smith got 283 yards last fall, but the QB does a lot of running in Root's veer. Only three offensive regulars suit up again,

the other two being up front, guards Paul Witkovitz and Jack Kroeger. But a lot of Indians took part in the line blocking last season, so lettermen are starting at the other spots.

Defensively, a much stronger unit is anticipated this kickoff time. Nine starters return, including ends Steve Dalton (6-4, 230) and Bruno Schmalhofer (6-2, 230), tackle Ken Brown, linebackers Craig McCurdy and Jeff Hosmer. Safety Lou Case and Scott Hays head the veterans there. It is a definite challenge to this defensive experience to start the season strong, especially with the four opening games and the all-out search for a quarterback to head the Tribe.

DAVIDSON—(0-3-0, 2-7-0). Once again, the Wildcats forsake the conference schedule to play Guilford, Hampden-Sydney, Kenyon and Lafayette, and the three SC games do not qualify for any title run. That doesn't concern Davidson. Coach Ed Farrell will install the wing-T in his second season, when two-thirds of his squad will be in the lower classes. He wants to run the ball more, using soph QB Joel Gilmont, runners Larry Hardaway (372 yds) and Chip Crawford, fullback Steve Stec (4.3 per carry), departing from the aerial game. Offensive line play is led by Joe Kopel and Pete West, 195-pound tackles who work with Nicky Guy (6-0, 220) at center and soph Jack Wilson (6-1, 245) at guard.

The defense held Hampden-Sydney to two touchdowns, and everybody else got three or more. Changing to a 5-2, the Wildcats find youth in the secondary, where senior Mike Eubanks is the lone experience, and they will start Paul Andrews and Roger Whitley as the linebacking duo. Farrell's first year at Bridgeport, he went 3-6 and then 34-9 for four years. His Davidson assignment may be a bit tougher.

INDEPENDENTS

VIRGINIA TECH—(4-7-0). Coach Jimmy Sharpe has now been in Blacksburg a year, he has gone through his second spring drills. He has been able to (1) try Virginia Tech's potential all-time rushing leader, Phil Rogers, as QB; (2) designate "Bandits" and "Headhunters" as specialty fraternities; and (3) say publicly, "The first 15 players to be put on the traveling squad next Sept. 12 will be on the specialty kicking teams." His first year out of Alabama, Sharpe

PHIL ROGERS, left, gained 1695 yards the last two years for Virginia Tech and is solid blocker; teammate TOM BEASLEY, tackle, is key to rebuilding defensive front for '74.





GARRY MOTT, linebacker, had 26 tackles, 39 assists for South Carolina in '74.

JEFF GRANTZ, Gamecock's senior QB, hopes to bounce back from a 1974 injury.

learned quickly the other side of the tracks, but his wishbone attack came on strong late in the season, become the fifth highest scoring team in Gobbler annals. Even though V-Tech makes trips to Kentucky, Kent State and Auburn three of the first four weeks, Sharpe's chances of plus-records are sharp.

Rogers (5-10, 175) is an explosive runner, just 418 yards shy of the all-time school record (1695 yards in two years), but he's so sharp he might be the quarterback. Sharpe: "Just think how much more effective we might have been if we had had Rogers' unusually quick running and cutting ability at the QB position." He got his chance in the spring. Up front would be guard Steve Philbrick, tackles Ronald Davis and Keith Gibson, tight end Kevin Dick, a good start for a QB change.

But the Gobblers have to stop somebody as well. They return seniors Bruce McDaniel, punter, and Wayne Latimer, placekicker, and it must be remembered that Tech lost five late games by a combined total of 17 points. They can kick themselves, but they should have done it last fall. In rebuilding the defensive front, tackle Tom Beasley is a key, with ends Keith McCarter and Stuart Patterson. The secondary starts with linebacker regulars Doug Thacker and Rick Razzano. Sharpe puts nails in these remarks: "We're not starting from scratch this time."

SOUTH CAROLINA—(4-7-0). Soft-spoken, square-jawed Jim Carlen, who has been around the South since birth, has had difficult assignments at West Virginia and Texas Tech, where he rebuilt programs and went to bowl games five of the last six years. When he took the South Carolina job, vacated by Paul Dietzel, he knew exactly what he was stepping into, not the flat country of Lubbock, Texas, but the intense palmettos of middle South Carolina . . . and the also intense feeling to get back at the ACC, where the Gamecocks withdrew a few years ago. Last fall the Gamecocks couldn't stop the Sisters of Mercy, a local team, giving up 700 rushing plays for a 343.6 yard per game average. Opponents didn't even have to pass, they wanted to work on their running game. That resulted in disaster, and Carlen as new coach.

Defense is obviously the place where the new staff must concentrate, because there is absolutely no way a college (or pro) team can give up that much

running room and expect to win. Senior linebacker Garry Mott (6-0, 215), junior defensive end Russ Manzari, and defending backs Henry Laws and Zeb Shue are the bulwark of a new Gamecock defense, which must do more than crow early in the morning of game Saturday. Carlen will try a new five-front (50) defense. Anything would be better.

Working the triple-option offense (I and split-T) will be two QBs, experienced Jeff Grantz and junior Ron Bass. Grantz had injuries last fall, after brilliant soph year, and Bass, who would rather run than pass, filled in so very well, that Carlen now has two QBs. . . . Grantz, who likes to run, and Bass, who loves to run. Center Mike McCabe (6-5, 235) is the offensive center, tackle E. Z. Smith (6-3, 250) and guard Brad Kline (6-2, 225), and they all block. Runners Kevin Long got 490 yards, Clarence Williams 365, but there are the QBs. They have Carlen's permission to roll it themselves.

WESTERN CAROLINA—(9-1-0). Maybe the last season in the NCAA college division, WCU hopes for Southern Conference admittance. Even so, Coach Bob Waters comes off an outstanding 41-17-2 six-year record in the North Carolina mountains, culminating with top 10 ranking and NCAA playoff status last fall. It was a Catamount team with superb talent, and the current squad has somewhat the same thing. Look at Mike Green, tight end, 6-4, 242. He will catch more passes this year, in such an oriented Waters pro-T. But Waters says, "He's the finest blocking tight end I have ever seen. Nobody has ever beaten him one-on-one." Both QBs return, senior Jeff Walker and Danny Dalton, the former suffering a clavicular separation after seven games. Together, they threw over 2000 yards. Tailback Darrell Lipford ran 983 yards, and Herb Cole averaged 4.4 per carry and scored nine TDs. The line returns.

If defense needs help, and the Cats' defensive unit was touched for only eight TDs, it comes from cornerback Allen Corpening, back Terry Moore and end Bob Jablonski (6-2, 208).

LENOIR RHYNE—(7-3-1). After 40 years in the Carolinas Conference, the college withdrew April 26, effective at once, not caring to go along with a new rule on aid by need only. Coach Jack Huss has one of the finest runners in the South, 6-0, 185 Scott Crawford, averaging 7.3 yds per carry (1191 total). The whole backfield returns: QBs Mike Everett and Tom Bradley, runners Mike McWhirter (828 yds) and Greg Corpening. Guard Wilmer Walker (6-1, 235) was all-league. Ends and backs return on defense, and the important kicking game has punter Bobby Daurity (39.9 avg) and Rick Padgett, who got 62 foot-points. It will be a balanced Bear attack for the fall.

MARSHALL—(1-10-0). A new coach, Frank Ellwood, who quarterbacked with Hopalong Cassidy at Ohio State, has taken over the Herd to make it the Thundering Herd again. The defensive perimeter is strong with end Steve Morton, senior star of the spring game, and linebacker Bill Yanossy (6-2, 216). Soph Johnson Greg, playing the "Buffalo" (rover), rated high in punt returns. Tackle Mark Brookover (6-1,



HARRY CARSON, defensive South Carolina St. end, sacked 21 opposing QBs.



ISAAC MUNS, Delaware St., carried 76 times for 323 yards, had 7 catches.

253) will be four-year starter offensively, and guard Jesse Smith (6-1, 243) gets an NCAA hardship year after last year's injury. Part-time starters Larry Berkery and Bob Wilt vie for QB, sophs Zack Qualls and J. C. Felton the best tailbacks for the new Herd.

GARDNER-WEBB—(2-6-1). New Coach Oval Jaynes will run the veer, which he brought from South Carolina, and he has 20 lettermen to work it. Soph Eddie Tyndall, also the school's top shortstop, took to the veer handily, and he had fullback George Gilliam and runner Frank Taylor, a junior who got over 1000 yds as a freshman, then cut by injuries. Tackle Bob Bolick (64, 240) was all-district. The defense, turning to a pro 4-3, stars linebackers Marcus Trivette and Steve Prevatte, cornerback William Peppers and soph end Ken Farnhardt (6-3, 240), who started as a freshman until injuries.

MID-EASTERN

HOWARD—(4-1-1, 8-2-1). The Bison were a hot sports item in the nation's capitol last fall, and if they aren't better, there's got to be some rotten politics involved. Five underclassmen (including a freshman) made All-MEAC, QB Michael Banks was the MEAC offensive player of the year, 17 starters return among 37 lettermen. Coach Douglas Porter has installed the wing-T, and the Bison go into RFK Stadium for five home games and big crowd anticipation. Coach Porter, 16-4-1 over the past two years (missing the MEAC title by a 0-6 early loss to S.C. State), moans about "slow receivers," and he could be justified. Banks (Jr., 6-2, 210) hit 92 passes last fall (1273 yds, 14 TDs), but he had an amazing 18 different receivers, including All-MEAC tight end Julius Gamble (6-1, 212). This all-league offense returns soph guard Keith Napier and kicker Julius Gamble (who also caught 11 Banks shots). Tackle Ben Harris (6-3, 250) tops the defense, ranked 2nd in the league, but it was offensively where the Bison roamed.

SOUTH CAROLINA STATE—(5-1-0, 8-4-0). The champion Bulldogs gave up only a touchdown per opponent in the conference race, and Coach Willie Jeffries' defense could well repeat that performance. Of the 13 regulars returning, nine are on the defense where SCS led the MEAC and ranked 11th in the final NAIA poll. Harry Carson, end (6-2, 220), not

only made All-MEAC but was named defensive player of the year. Again with him is 6-6, 250 Robert Sims, all-league tackle, and two of the secondary made the 2nd MEAC unit, Leonard Duncan and Anthony Evans. Filling the offensive gaps will be a major assignment, but Elias O'Neal returns as QB, James Robinson as runner (514 yards), Keely Dunn as fullback and Milt Glover at tackle blocking.

NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL—(4-1-1, 7-2-2). Central came strong in Coach Willie Smith's second year, gaining a tie game with Howard which knocked the latter out of a co-share of the title. But it was a senior club at Central, and Coach Smith puts his team in the middle of what he terms a wide open conference race. Seven offensive regulars return, including 2nd All-MEAC tight end Terry Walls, tackle Milton Butts (6-4, 250 senior from South Bend, Ind.), guard Frank Bellamy (6-2, 245), QB Ricky Moore and running back Eugene Carmichael. "We have some work to do defensively," said the coach, looking at four regulars on hand. They do include the three he gives best possibility for All-Star honors: safety Lewis Breeden (2nd All-MEAC last fall), tackle Bobby Miller (6-3, 270) and senior linebacker Sam Jones.

NORTH CAROLINA A&T—(2-4-0, 5-6-0). Defense, usually an Aggie forte under Coach Hornsby Howell, fell down a bit a year ago, near the bottom of MEAC statistics, but with a fine linebacking corps, Howell aims to keep Aggie opponents from such continued damage. Calling his linebackers "probably the best in the conference," Howell has Joe Crosby, Jerome Simmons and Louis Alston there, but they need much help in the secondary, where Terry Bellamy returned an interception 104 yards last year, a conference record. Offensively, there are eight regulars returning, and Howell continues in the veer. QB is Ellsworth Turner, a freshman last season, 3rd in league passing. He has Dexter Feaster (6-2, 195) as MEAC top pass receiver and All-Conference, also All-MEAC tight end Walter Bennett. Running in the backfield again are George Ragsdale (497 yds) and Glenn Holland (302). Offensive tackles are Wheeler Brown and David Brown, and no kin.

Only four regulars return from each unit at **MORGAN STATE** (4-2-0, 5-5-0), not a contender for the first time in years. Coach Nathaniel Taylor's upcoming team has line weaknesses, with key players being on the defense: tackle Angelo Wells, end Lemuel Kenley and strong safety Tim Baylor. Steve Turpin, best punter in the league as a freshman (and All-MEAC) returns with his 39.9 average. **DELAWARE STATE** (0-6-0, 3-6-0) has a new coach, Edmund Whyce, and 17 returning starters, led by All-MEAC cornerback Walt Tullis. On offense, the keys will be fullback Isaac Muns (323 yds) and split end John Chisholm. **MARYLAND-EASTERN SHORE** (1-5-0, 2-6-0) has 24 lettermen back for Coach Harold Gray, but it will be another rebuilding year. Big defensive end Carl Hairston (6-4, 255) has been All-MEAC for two seasons, and Bruce Nichols was the fourth best punter in the conference. Runner Andre

Parson and tackle Lamar Davis top the offense, but not quite enough.

CAROLINAS

ELON—(4-0-0, 10-1-0). Of the four teams in the NAIA Champion Bowl playoff in 1973, only Elon returned in 1974. And now the Fighting Christians aim to make it a third—and a national championship for Coach Red Wilson. Juniors and seniors, who went to those bowls, are now experienced. Senior Martin Page is the QB, directing Prince Deese (702 yards) and Alex McMillan, plus the front blocking of All-CC tackle Frank Williamson (6-3, 231) Gus deSimone, Tim Kelly and others. Transfers include Little A-A running back Kenny Washington (Coast Guard Academy). Dave Kelley (6-1, 226) stars as linebacker, with Don McLaughlin (All-CC) and David Wood in the secondary, helping Elon to No. 4 final NAIA rating and 12th nationally on passing defense. Coach Wilson answers it straight: "I am again very optimistic about our chances for another shot at the national title."

MARS HILL—Coach Claude Gibson looked at (1-3-0, 7-4-0) in the final four games last fall, knows they outscored the opposition 174-37 and likes the future. The Lions return the offensive line, led by all-CC guard Gary Hooper (6-3, 255), all-district running back Ronnie Reeves (led NAIA in KO returns, 2nd in punt returns), and all-league pass-catcher Ronnie Capps. Don Johnson, over a broken leg, tops the linebackers, and tackle Tom (Spike) Anderson was all-district defensively.

GUILFORD—(0-2-1, 6-3-1) loses only five seniors, and Coach Dennis Haglan realizes only 13 points separated the Quakers from a 10-1 season, only 14 from 4-7. Tackle Steve Muselin (6-4, 252) tops the offensive line, with Billy Whitley (800 yds) heads the backfield where five candidates vie for QB. Linebacker Al Patterson and lineman Bunk James both made All-Conference.

CATAWBA—(1-2-1, 5-4-1) returns the full secondary, headed for Coach Bill Faircloth by Chip Woodyard and Bill Marley, up front by end Brian Kerr and tackle Jim Eric. Runner Kim Smith got 778 yds last fall, and top newcomer might be QB Pat Witheril, a transfer from Army.

CENTRAL INTERCOLLEGIATE

HAMPTON—(3-4-0, 3-7-0). When the Pirates upset Elizabeth City State 28-27 near the end of last season, they began to look at the 1975 championship. Coach Walter Lovett knows all about that road, having led Virginia State to several crowns. Not only does he have 23 veterans returning, but key players followed him in the transfer to Hampton. Quarterbacks Dwight Joyner and Jebson Baker head the offense, with flanker T. C. Logan and tackle Joseph James. But Lovett did not sit back and count the veterans, he had a recruiting year, and most of the conference games are in the friendly Tide-

water area. Lovett would love nothing better than another CIAA title.

LIVINGSTONE—(5-1-0, 9-2-0). The Bears were the NAIA's top defensive team, only 125.3 total yards given out (30 better than the second team nationally). Baxter Holman was CIAA coach of the year. The team has a two-year mark of 17-4-1. This defense returns all-league nose guard, 6-2, 243 Johnny Miller, and All-CIAA punting specialist, Andrew Cooney. The offense will be better, starring all league end (and 2nd scorer with seven TD passes), Samuel Branch, off a small tree at 5-10, 166. Coach Holman's attack got about three touchdowns a game last fall, and this is the big challenge.

NORFOLK STATE—(8-0-0, 8-2-0). The Spartans won it a year ago, then lost the Atlanta game to Tuskegee by 15-14. It was a title in his first year for Coach Dick Price, and he could repeat. All-CIAA QB Steve Graeff (6-3, 195) was second in league passing, although he threw only 98 times (hitting 46 for 863 yds). His play spotted Norfolk to 303 yds total offense. Strong running comes from Tony Drakeford, Collin Arrington and Johnny Warren. Rising sophs will seek to beat out defensive returners such as Temple Jackson, Steve Minor and Roger Nance. The defensive secondary is quite experienced.

VIRGINIA UNION—(7-1-0, 8-2-0). The Panthers, with a two-year mark of 17-3, lost only to Norfolk State a year ago, and it was a senior club. But Coach Willard Bailey doesn't count the Panthers out this fall as the offense is led by QB Timothy Keeles, All-CIAA tackle Donald Tate (6-4, 250), kicker Clarence White, and runner Leon Byrd. Team defense was second in the league, returning backs Anthony Leonard (all-league and Black College A-A), James Porter, and Frank McCray, tackle Larry Williford and linebacker Calvin Young. Sophomores will get many starting roles.

ELIZABETH CITY ST.—(3-5-0, 3-7-0). Coach Tom Caldwell has been building for two years, and from ancient tradition Vikings don't work that hard and long for nothing. Rising soph QB Charlie Hardesty was the CIAA's total offense leader, mainly on passing, and rising junior Jerome Newson was all-league and 10th leader in the NAIA (1105 yds in nine games). The nation's leading punter (NAIA) is Alfred Holmes, with 46.8 yards per kick. The attack is balanced, and the Vikings are definitely challengers again.

Looking ahead are the **JOHNSON C. SMITH** (4-2-0, 4-7-0) Golden Bulls, after losing the close ones in a mediocre year. Senior QB James Wideman leads runners Jeff Butts and Calvin Adams, while All-CIAA offensive tackle George Hill (6-3, 255) tops the blocking. The defensive secondary has been shored up. **WINSTON-SALEM STATE** (3-5-0, 4-7-0) must replace guard Bennie Barbour, four straight years All-CIAA, and linebacker Curt Richardson tops the defense (all-league end last fall). Soph QB Bernard Smith leads the offense, blocking sparked by soph center Robert Weeks. **VIRGINIA STATE**

STREET AND SMITH'S COLLEGE FOOTBALL

(2-4-0, 3-7-0) has a veteran league coach, J.D. Marshall, now opening his second season with the Trojans. He banks on defensive giants Charles Burton and Ken Sales, and running backs Charles McDonald and Guy Rose will undoubtedly work behind QB Gary Stephens, although his starting role is being challenged by Russ Seaton and Tom Williams. **FAYETTEVILLE STATE** (2-6-0, 4-7-0) returns all-CIAA runner James Godwin (top scorer, 54, also 9.5 sprinter), along with 20 other lettermen. Defense sparked by end James Gaddy and tackle Reggis Broadnax. **SHAW** (2-5-0, 4-6-0) had a young club, won four games, now heads into Coach Jesse Clements' promising season with All-CIAA linebacker William Artis and 31 other lettermen. **SAINT PAUL'S** (0-6-0, 1-8-0) has seasoned QB Horace Pomley, league's top receiver James Woodson (All-CIAA), but the defense is again the question.

SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC

ALCORN STATE—(5-1-0, 9-2-0). At Alcorn where defense is a way of life . . . an old adage with the Braves. Coach Marino Casem, named 1974's Black Coach of the year by Mutual Black Network, has a big, experienced defense this year. End to end, the front averages 255 pounds, including Henry Bradley, Frank Pilate, quick Lawrence Pillars, James Robinson, 286-pound Gregory Williams and Quinton Horne, Ernest Young heads the secondary. Soph Johnny Thomas, 235, tops the linebackers with Kenneth Williams. Talented soph Willie Outlaw becomes the starting QB, with powerful runners such as James Jackson 205, Augusta Lee 213 and Williams Thomas 221, plus an array of scatbacks. The upfront blockers also have experience, a unit that averages 229 pounds to the Brave. And the tribe gets an opportunity to find out quickly: first trip is to Grambling.

GRAMBLING—(5-1-0, 11-1-0). The Tigers want revenge for their only loss a year, to Alcorn, and veteran Coach Eddie Robinson (236-81-11 in 34 seasons) has a good 12-game schedule to test his club. In one span they play Morgan State at Washington, Hawaii at Honolulu and Oregon State at Portland consecutively. QB Douglas Williams, sensation as a frosh, tops the high-powered offense, having thrown for 1,150 yards and 12 touchdowns, with 6-2, 190 Sammie White returning as a Black College All-American receiver. Dwight Scales and Carlos Pennywell also do the catching. The defensive front four rank among the Tiger strengths, and they include Jimmy Roe 254, Arthur Gilliam 230, Bobby Simon 248, Russell Hall 240 and Larry Favorite 268. Newcomers will be in the offensive line, also the defensive secondary, but another '74 All-America, James Hunter, heads the deep backs.

MISS. VALLEY STATE—(1-5-0, 5-5-0). The Delta Devils, for the first time, plan to be in the SWAC title battle, and the drive rests on the shoulders of tall (6-3, 185), talented (three times All-SWAC, Mutual Black Network's A-A) Parnell Dickenson at QB. Coach Davis Weathersby, seeing his star pass



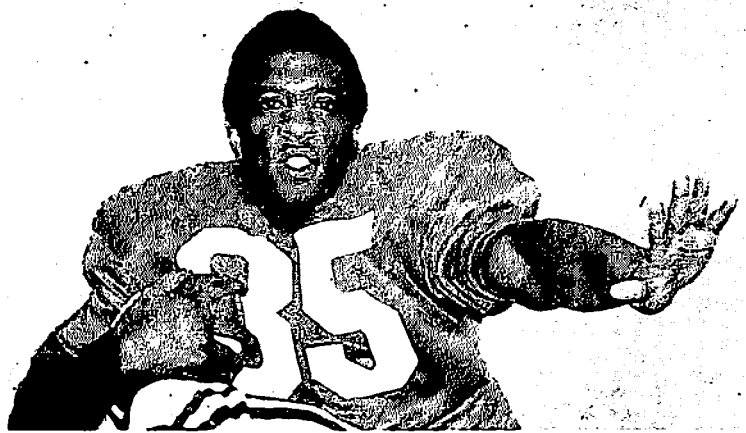
PARNELL DICKINSON had passed for 4298 yards, 24 TDs, in 3 yrs. at Miss. Val.



DOUGLAS WILLIAMS had sensational frosh season as Grambling quarterback.

for 1667 yards last fall, says, "Parnell is as good as any quarterback in America." Receivers include Rickey Feacher and Isaac Betts, but fullback Mercy Bates tops the running and the line will be experienced, including guard Larry McGill (5-11, 249) and tackle Arcelious Townsend (6-4, 256), who have played together three seasons. The "Lean-Mean-Green Machine," otherwise the defense, lost its strength, but senior Charles Jackson returns up front, Melvin Morgan in the secondary. The coach says, "Ready to get after somebody."

Seniors always get attention, and **SOUTHERN** (3-3-0, 8-3-0) has just such a situation for Coach Charles Bates to challenge with his Jaguars. There are 27 seniors on the club which should be more explosive than a year ago, although they had a 5-0 record against outside opposition. . . . **JACKSON STATE** (4-2-0, 7-3-0) ranked 10th in the NAIA at the close of the season, but lost two first round draft choices. Rebuilding is the job for Bob Hill in his fifth year. Seniors Jackie Slater, guard (6-5, 255), and Mac Miley, tackle (6-5, 270) head the offensive unit which lost the entire backfield. Despite the loss of Walter Payton, a good crop of runners will be with QB Jeremiah Tillman, switched from wide receiver to his old position. Joe Lowery (7.1 per carry for two years), breakaway Arthur Phillips and transfer Melvin Moncrief head the runners. Depth heads the defensive with line strength including end Arthur Jackson (6-4, 222) and tackles Charle Brady (6-0, 234) and Elvin Williams (6-2, 270). . . . **TEXAS SOUTHERN** (3-3-0, 6-4-0) has Coach Rod Paige returning tailback Ernest Prugh, although the 9.3 sprinter has devoted much of the year to track. QB Garland Montgomery is also the returning leader of the offense. . . . **PRAIRIE VIEW** (0-6-0, 0-10-0) has 28 lettermen, and Coach Hoover Wright hopes the passing game can better complement the running of fullbacks David Bohannon (6-2, 240) and Charlie Smith (5-11, 234). QB finds Sam Maxie as regular again, but pushed by William Reynolds. Wayland Gay as a freshman led the receivers. Pint-sized Eddie Riley (5-7) was the NAIA's third leading punter. The Panther defense is built around Ed Williams 235, John Hunt 270, Ken Austin 240 and John Montgomery 210, plus an experienced secondary.



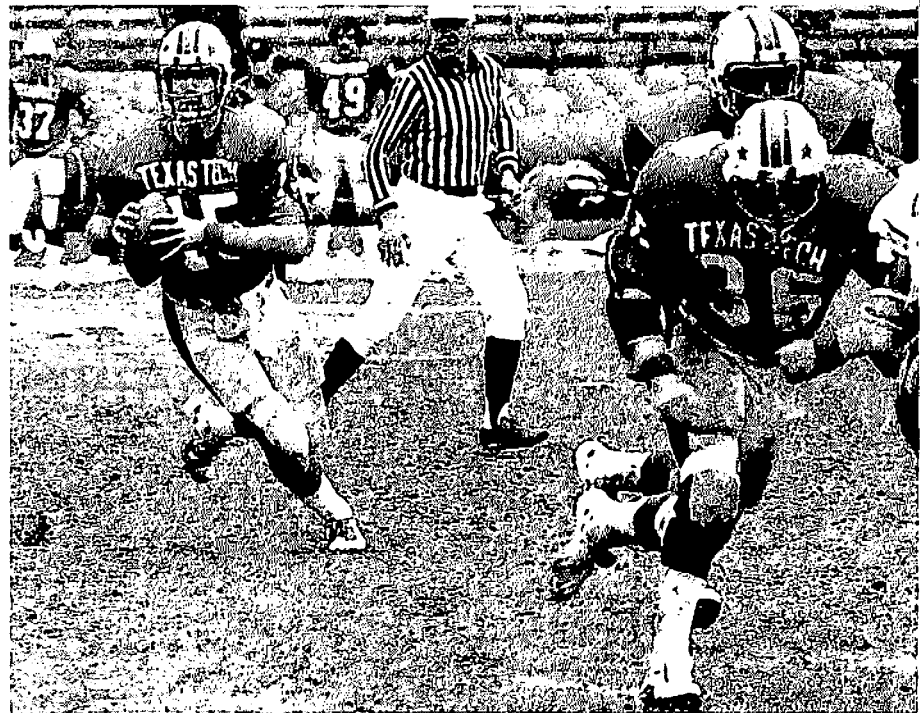
IKE FORTE of Arkansas rushed for 986 yards while scoring 9 TDs last season.

MIKE KIRKLAND, one of three seasoned Arkansas quarterbacks, hopes he's No. 1.

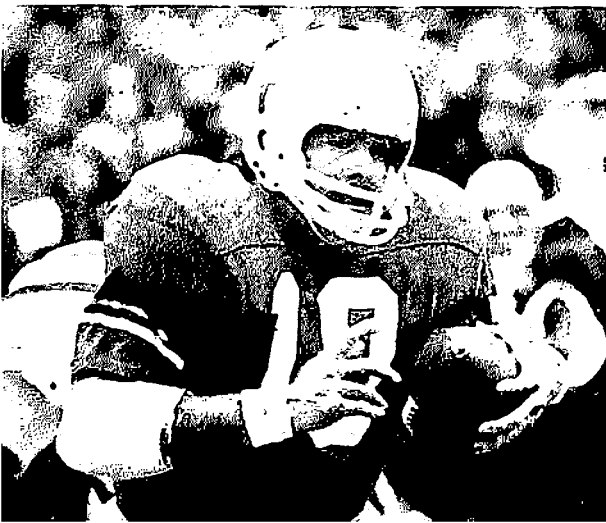


GRALYN WYATT had 76 rushes, for 590 yards and 8 TDs last season for Texas.

MARTY AKINS, Texas QB, rushed for 659 yards and passed for 250 more in 1974.



TOMMY DUNIVEN guides Texas Tech in Peach Bowl 6-6 tie vs. Vanderbilt.



ED SIMONINI, DE at Texas A&M is rated All-America candidate.



BUBBA BEAN, right, led Texas A&M rushers with a 5.9 yard average.



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Southwest

TEXAS AGGIES ARE READY TO BEAT UP ON SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE FOES

PREDICTIONS

Southwest

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| 1. Texas A&M | 6. SMU |
| 2. Texas | 7. TCU |
| 3. Arkansas | 8. Rice |
| 4. Texas Tech | Houston |
| 5. Baylor | (eligible in 1976) |

Southland

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| 1. Louisiana Tech | 4. Texas-Arlington |
| 2. McNeese State | 5. Lamar |
| 3. Arkansas State | 6. SW Louisiana |

Lone Star

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| 1. Texas A&I | 6. Angelo State |
| 2. Abilene Christian | 7. Sam Houston State |
| 3. Southwest Texas | 8. Howard Payne |
| 4. East Texas | 9. Sul Ross |
| 5. S.F. Austin | 10. Tarleton State |

Independents

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| 1. Texas Lutheran | 3. McMurray |
| 2. Trinity | 4. Austin College |

In the Southwest an Aggie joke is any kind of tacky humor that pokes fun at Texas A&M's flora, fauna or customs. In the east they'd be called Polish jokes.

Like the Aggie gridman whose car started lurching on him. At the service station a mechanic told him, "Your ignition has a short."

Aggie gridman: "How long does it take to lengthen it?"

Suddenly, the joke isn't on the Aggies. They are spoiling for a fight. They have the battlers. Winning the championship is as easy as licking Texas, Arkansas, Texas Tech and Baylor.

Texas was the only one of that group to whip the Ags last year. In the end, the loss cost Emory Belard's club a bowl trip. They're still churning inside about that.

The suspicion has been that Texas A&M recruiters have done their job well the last few seasons. Next year is now, and only one starter is missing from last year's offensive unit.

Keep an eye peeled for All-America cornerback Pat Thomas, tight end Richard Osborne, halfback Bubba Bean, wide receiver Carl Roaches and defensive end Blake Schwarz. Those are just for starters.

Possibly the most critical game for the Ags is against Texas. It will be played in friendly (for Aggies) Kyle Field.

Naturally, Texas. Aren't the Longhorns always in the thick of it?

Their great runner, Earl Campbell, is the wheel-horse in Darrell Royal's wishbone. A lack of outside acceleration was filled when state sprint champ Johnny Jones signed with the Orange.

At Arkansas, Frank Broyles returns nine of his top ten carriers and his best receiver (Freddie Douglas). The Razorbacks own three good quarterbacks in Mike Kirkland, Scott Bull and Mark Miller, and a home run threat in halfback Ike Forte.

The new kid on the block is Steve Sloan, just out of Vanderbilt harness and into Texas Tech's coaching chair. The Raiders have a great defensive lineman in Ecomet Burley, and a dazzling tailback in Larry Isaac. Sloan's sound football principles will find a good platform at Tech.

Defending champion Baylor mourns some key losses of personnel that marched them to the Cotton Bowl for the first time in 52 years. What the Bears treasure most is a change of attitude. They may not have the players of last season, but the winning experience lingers.

SMU has a slippery quarterback in Rick Wesson, and a volatile offense. The Mustangs are hurting for defensive studs.

Rice and TCU, alas, must again do some log-rolling to determine the tailender.

Houston plays its last independent schedule before entering the conference football race next year. The Cougars' John Housman has all-America potential at fullback, but the team is painfully shy of reserves.

All-America checklists will include Wayne Morris and Henry Sheppard of SMU, Tech's Ecomet Burley, Pat Thomas and Ed Simonini of Texas A&M, Earl Campbell and Bob Simmons of Texas and Arkansas' Freddie Douglas and Ike Forte.

Texas A&I, NAIA national champion in 1974, returns most of its top hands from that Lone Star Conference outfit. The Javelinas' strongest challenge comes from Abilene Christian's speed act of Wilbert and Cleotha Montgomery.

In the Southland Conference the muscle is still at Louisiana Tech. And Texas Lutheran, who outscored foes 421-44 last year, is the boss of the independents.

The new coaches are Texas Tech's Sloan and

Stephen F. Austin's Dick Munsinger.

TEXAS A&M—There is more experience, a crowd of seniors, an embarrassment of heavy beef and a wishbone offense that the Aggies would love to shove down some throats this fall.

A&M gave an 8-3 performance in 1974. Only a final loss to Texas deprived Coach Emory Bellard's team of a tie for the title and a Cotton Bowl bid.

The little generals refused a tentative Bluebonnet Bowl kiss, then were forced to spend the holidays away from postseason merriment. Forty-one lettermen and 16 starters (10 from the offense) have that galling memory to rekindle dormant hostilities.

The first offense includes nine seniors. There is speed to spare in a backfield that has David Shipman (204) at the reins. Bubba Bean (195), Skip Walker (190) and Bucky Sams (218) are runners to delight any coach. Bean's 938 yards ranked third in SWC rushing statistics—5.9 yards each time he carried. Sams and Walker gained 692 and 550 yards, respectively, with Skip's 54 points second in the conference.

Shipman, a junior, moved ahead of last year's starter, David Walker, in spring training. He is a strong runner. Walker was well down the passing ladder in '74 with only 102 attempts. He completed 46, averaging 14.5 yards with each.

Carl Roaches (165) and Richard Osborne (230) are surehanded receivers. Tackle Glenn Bujnoch (245) is a candidate for individual recognition, with Dennis Smelser (260) on the other side.

The runt of the litter obviously isn't guard Billy Lemons, who goes 270. The other guard is 250-pound Bruce Welch. Either Henry Tracy (235) or Dennis Swilley (245) will be starting center. It's an impressive display of brawn.

Two defensive aces, linebacker Ed Simonini (215) and cornerback Pat Thomas (180), have a bead on All-America laurels. It would be a repeat for Thomas (Associated Press), who led the SWC in interceptions last fall with six.

At 252, Tank Marshall is well named at defensive end. He joins Blake Schwarz (229) on the outside of A&M's 4-3 alignment. Jimmy Dean (255) and Edgar Fields (245) are the tackles, with Simonini, Garth Ten Napel (205) and Grady Wilkerson (230) or Robert Jackson (225) the linebackers.

In the secondary with Thomas are Jackie Williams (176), Lester Hayes (205) and Charlie Arndt (179) or Tony Blankenship (166).

Any concern Bellard has as he faces his fourth coaching campaign centers on defensive depth. The defense and running game are strongholds of Aggie strength. The defense in '74 was the SWC's best, yielding an average of 279 yards and only 16 TDs in 11 games.

TEXAS—The usual words that describe a Longhorn team are applicable again. As always, they will be solid, fit, confident—and competitive.

Perhaps a hint of future shock in Texas' offensive philosophy will be seen in Darrell Royal's hiring of aerial specialist Don Breau to direct the backfield and share offensive coordinator's responsibility.

The rare losses for the 'Horns—they won six consecutive titles before last season's tie for second—may be attributed to an infantry that couldn't jump into flying suits and close the gap when they got behind.

Marty Akins (190) has it all to himself at quarterback. He's a dangerous option operative in the wishbone, but needs someone to lean on in event of injury. It likely will be a freshman, since Mike Presley passed up a final year of eligibility.

Earl Campbell (220) returns as the bellcow in a backfield that includes Gralyn Wyatt, a 170-pound darter, and strong Jimmy Walker (190). Campbell was a devastating All-SWC freshman fullback, rushing 928 yards for six touchdowns. He wields a crunching stiffarm and is a fine blocker.

More experience in the offensive line is noticed, enhanced by two-time All-SWC tackle Bob Simmons (6-5, 245). Brothers Will and Charles Wilcox, both 235 pounders, are anchored at guard. Others are ends Al Jackson (173) and Tom Ingram (227), tackle Rick Thurman (241) and center Jim Wyman (222).

Eight of 32 returning lettermen were offensive regulars on last fall's 8-4 club which lost to Auburn in the Gator Bowl.

The secondary includes versatile Raymond Clayborn (185), who ran a kickoff back 95 yards against Boston College in 1974. He has played well as a running back, but has good defensive instincts.

Senior safety Fred Sarchet (160) is one of six defensive starters. Paul Jette (175) was an alternate last year, and the return of safety Joe Bob Bizzell (145) strengthens an area that must be shored up by position changes or freshmen.

Bill Hamilton (208), once a quarterback, is an outstanding linebacker. With him are Lionell Johnson (210) and David Nelson (206). Rick Burleson (222) and Travis Couch (221) are good defensive ends, working alongside tackles Brad Shearer and Allen Rickman, both 245. Steve Collier (206) is the rover.

Texas undoubtedly will go to its freshmen for offensive and defensive assistance. A number of young backs will be given an opportunity to win attention at split end. Campbell also will serve as an emergency linebacker in special situations. His great speed and size helped him block one punt last year.

The Longhorns' Thanksgiving game with Texas A&M could have title significance. It's at College Station, one of two formidable opponents Texas faces on the road.

ARKANSAS—If the wishbone really is on its last legs, the Razorbacks want to chase it to the graveyard with the veer-T.

It's a new offense for Coach Frank Broyles, and he isn't jumping into it without some horsepower. He has three seasoned quarterbacks to handle the transition—Mike Kirkland (6-1, 192), Mark Miller (6-2, 192) and Scott Bull (6-4, 222), all sound tacticians.

Ike Forte, recovered from a severe toe injury, will be one of the country's best fullbacks. The 200-pound senior was the league's No. 2 galloper last fall.

with 974 yards. He collected nearly 400 yards after switching to fullback from halfback for the last two games.

Another starter, halfback Barnabas White, may return with no reminders of a broken ankle that sidelined him in the sixth game last year, when he had run 234 yards. He was grounded for disciplinary reasons in the spring, putting his future in limbo.

Okay, so it sounds like a Medicare dispatch. Touted speedster Jerry Eckwood, sidelined with a back ailment in '74, returns to polish skills that made him a spectacular catch as a freshman. Other experienced backs are Teddy Barnes, Elijah Davis, Rolland Fuchs and Vaughn Lusby.

For the new attack Broyles installed a new panel of offensive coaches—backs, line and receivers. So what Porker fans will see is a merger of fresh offensive philosophies.

Split end Freddie Douglas (181) led receivers with 15 catches and 332 yards last year. The welcome sign is out to Freddie again—and to any others who may show up. The Porkers are anxious to secure more receivers to give the veer aerial distinction.

In the offensive line center Richard LaFargue (6-4, 242), guards Greg Koch (6-4, 237) and R. C. Thielemann (6-3, 240) and Gerald Skinner (6-5, 259) are in familiar slots.

It'll be Arkansas' third season in a 5-2 defensive set. Depth is something they merely dream about, but the bare places are more obvious on offense.

Dennis Winston (224) is a baleful linebacker and Ivan Jordan (218) ranks high among the league's defensive ends. Johnny Meadors (215) also has designs on a starting role at DE. Campbell (215) expects to stay at nose guard.

Sophs Mark Lewis (6-3, 254) and Gary Roper (6-1, 240) will scuffle for tackle chores with junior Harvey Hampton (6-1, 237). Steve Little missed only four of 16 field goals and booted 29 extra points last fall. Kirkland's 40-yard punting average was high in national standing.

Another plus for Arkansas is that they play Texas, Texas A&M and Texas Tech at home. The Porkers will be heard from.

TEXAS TECH—When you can't beat 'em, suggests Texas Tech athletic director J. T. King, hire 'em. Which explains the Red Raiders having the former miracle man of Vanderbilt, Steve Sloan, as their new coach.

Sloan joined Tech's athletic faculty shortly after Vandy and Tech fashioned a 6-6 standoff in the Peach Bowl. He inherits 12 starters from Jim Carlen's 6-4-1 team of '74, along with some dazzling runners and equally notable weaknesses.

Of the former, consider tailback Larry Isaac. He gained 671 yards and won Peach Bowl offensive tribute last December. Fullback Larry Hoskins (337 yards) and his stand-in, Rufus Myers (157 yards), also return in Sloan's veer-T scheme.

Billy Taylor, a 1974 freshman, will be in harness as Isaac's understudy. He averaged nearly five yards a carry in 41 tries last year.

Linebackers and receivers are weaknesses that

most concerned Sloan. Split end Willie Kent (150) and tight end Pat Felux (213) are journeymen targets but aren't considered big-play operatives.

Tommy Duniven is a rangy (6-2, 200) quarterback who was hurt at midseason after collecting most of his aerial yardage (43 of 82 for 552 yards). He is backed by a promising sophomore, Rodney Allison.

On offense the Raiders also count on tackles Greg Davis (226) and Dan Irons (243), guards Tommy Lusk (255) and Mike Sears (220), center David Dudley (238) and flanker Ricky Bates (186).

Ecomet Burley (241) hopes to advance from All-Conference stature to All-America rank at middle guard. He's outstanding. Defensive end Thomas Howard (195), who has great range, Isaac and defensive back Curtis Jordan (185) are valid all-SWC material.

Other defensive regulars are backs Selso Ramirez (170) and Tony Green (186).

Kicking is solid. Punter David Kuykendall averaged 38 yards last year. Brian Hall was the place-kicking specialist with only two misses in 24 point-after tries and five of seven field goals.

BAYLOR—It's a hard act to follow. What do you do for an encore after ending a half-century championship lockout, producing a National Coach of the Year and placing two players on All-America?

You go back to work, if you're coach Grant Teaff, who has such bullies as Michigan, Auburn and Missouri to fret with before opening conference business.

As Baylor begins defense of its first SWC title in 51 years, all eyes are on junior quarterback Mark Jackson (5-11, 190), who must direct the Bears' slot-I and veer maneuvers. In his backup appearances last fall he consistently produced points. He completed 10 of 18 passes for 134 yards and two TDs, and ran 129 yards in 40 carries, and another touchdown.

Jackson is among seven offensive starters and 40 returning lettermen. The offensive line is quality, but ranks are thin and green defensively.

The Bears have two superb receivers in split ends Ricky Thompson (174) and Alecy Jackson (179). Sam Harper (212) averaged 13 yards for 12 receptions at tight end in '74.

Three-year letterman Pat McNeil (210) has another season at fullback, where he rushed 459 yards last fall. Cleveland Franklin (205) is a double threat—a strong inside runner and good receiver. Wingback is a position that is up for grabs.

Smallest man in the offensive line—aside from split end—is 230-pound guard Rell Tipton. The Bears have the gristle to push some people out of the way.

Carl Gregory (6-3, 240) is a new face at center after winning two letters at tackle. Gregory's considerable chore is to replace All-America Aubrey Schulz, but his credentials are the best.

Tipton and Napoleon Tyler (245) are winning guards. Mike Hughes (242) and Jon Kramer (233) appear solid at tackle.

Tim Black (210) lettered two years at defensive end. Transfer Wharton Foster (235) has the tools



ALCY JACKSON combines with RICKY THOMPSON as Baylor pass catchers.



GARY GREGORY, Baylor OT, is top-notch blocker.

to be an immediate star at defensive tackle. John Oliver (210) is a quality nose guard.

The defensive secondary is loaded with experience with Ron Burns, Gary Green, Ken Quesenberry and Scooter Reed. Quesenberry was the most valuable defensive player in the 41-20 Cotton Bowl loss to Penn State.

Bubba Hicks' 29 points after touchdown and six field goals produce no sweat in the placekicking department.

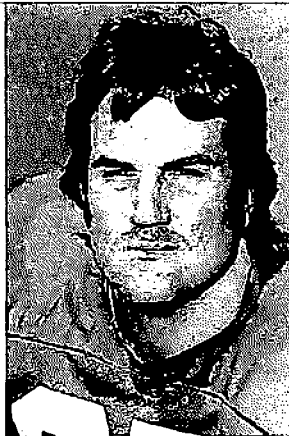
SMU—To see the Ponies at play is like sitting in on a tennis match. They move and score quickly—and eyeballs click as Ricky Wesson or Wayne Morris squirt loose on mercurial dashes.

And, alas, eyeballs click almost as fast as their opponents hack away at the SMU defense. Defense! It's a word coach Dave Smith cries in his sleep.

Wesson, a feathery 165-pounder, directed SMU's nationally-ranked (14th) rushing offense last fall. They averaged 280 yards a game. Then, as now, he had halfback Morris and fullback Dave Bostick as henchmen. Bostick ran 862 yards last fall, Morris 744.

The Ponies return 29 lettermen, but only four defensive starters. If they match last season's 6-4 mark, Smith can pat himself and his assistants on the back.

Eight offensive starters return, hinting that SMU's wishbone again will have some clout. The Mustangs' 3,868-yard total offense was second to Texas last year.



HENRY SHEPPARD, SMU offensive tackle, made All-SWC honors last year.



RICKY WESSON, SMU's 165-pound quarterback, figured in 19 touchdowns.

Wesson's 885 yards afoot ranked No. 5 in the SWC, and no other quarterbacks were close. His No. 2 receiver, split end Freeman Johns (170), caught four TD passes among 12 receptions. He and tight end Joe Nobles (220) again give SMU a respectable aerial dimension.

A sophomore running back. Art Whittington (170), is sure to see a lot of duty this fall.

The Mustangs are comfortably outfitted on offense. Tackle Henry Sheppard (240) and guard Guy Thomas (240) were All-SWC selections last year. Jim Duggan, a 240-pound tackle, and guard Horace Derry (235) also are first-class offensive linemen.

If Bostick, a junior, and Morris can come close to their 1974 achievements, SMU can make more eyeballs snap if they stay healthy—and if the defense doesn't turn up its toes.

Free safety Mickey Early is among the conference frontrunners at his position. Charlie Adams (218), who is a 6-6 senior, anticipates a good season at linebacker after prior service at defensive end.

End Clarence Dennard (235) and tackle Toxie Beavers (225) will challenge for league defensive laurels.

TCU—If strength is a matter of degree Jim Shofner's second edition at his alma mater will be stronger. After an opening victory the Horned Frogs went into reverse with the throttle jammed, with a 1-10 result.

Still, there's major reconstruction ahead. The lines, both offense and defense, are virtually untested. Of 37 returning lettermen, 10 are starters.

The studs include two receivers, split end Mike Renfro (170), who caught 21 last fall, and senior Ronald Parker (6-3, 215), whom pro scouts call the best blocking tight end in the Southwest.

The rest of the aerial battery is Lee Cook, last years' SWC passing leader (106 of 237 for 1,191 yards), and stand-in Jim Elzner (195), who has good range.

Shofner's pro-set may firm up this year, but TCU's torment is shoring up a defense that was near the bottom in all departments. Defensive end Marshall Harris (228) is the only member of the front four

with college experience—one start in 1974. Some of the young ones, however, will be topnotch hands.

A spring lineup had Harris and Scott O'Glee (235) at ends, Lynn Davis (245) and Alan Teichelman (228) at tackle and linebackers Joe Segulja (212), Robert Dobry (212) and Keith Judy (210).

Defensive backs Allen Hooker (175), Dennis McGehee (175) and Tim Pulliam (185) are all seniors. Weak safety Richard Hein (180) is a junior college transfer.

Walk-on John Flanagan (175) was the best running back in spring drills. He's in the backfield, with Ronnie Littleton (175) a hopeful aspirant to the form that made him one of the state's best prep backs. Bobby Cowan (200) is at fullback and Gary Patterson (175) the flanker.

Among TCU's problems of 1974 were Cook's 18 interceptions. With better production from him, and good seasons from a younger, larger and quicker offensive line, Shofner can dream.

Mike McLeod (230) and Russ Stewart (225) are the tackles. Jim Blackwelder (220) and Mark Krug (230) are the guards and Jerry Caillier (212) is a good center.

JC transfer Vernon Wells will challenge Patterson at flanker. Gerry Modzelewski (190), a nephew of former Cleveland Browns lineman "Big Mo" and "Little Mo" will see action in the offensive backfield.

RICE—The Owls have the same offensive names that posted a 2-8-1 mark in 1974, so is that good? Coach Al Conover thinks it is and is banking on game experience to shake the cobwebs from the downtrodden Blues.

A burden at Rice, as at many private schools, is a lack of depth. Both receivers, split end Ed Lofton (176) and tight end Kenneth Roy (204), are mentioned as All-SWC possibles. Lofton was the No. 1 receiver in the league with 42 catches for 483 yards, ranked third with 30 for 471 and four TDs.

Tommy Kramer returns as the multiple-option quarterback. He's 6-2, 185 and accounted for 810 yards in total offense last fall.

With him are running backs James Sykes (186), John Coleman (193), Billy Neal (213) and flanker David Houser (167), a freshman starter who ranked second in punt returns. Sykes led the conference in kickoff returns with 292 yards and a touchdown.

Elsewhere in the offense are tackles Danny Johnson (242) and Randy Eggemeyer (243), guards James Liska (219) and Steve Moore (257), and center John Stanfield (235).

Claude Reed (186) is a capable back-up quarterback.

Rice will use a 5-2 defense with a monster man. Linebacker Rod Norton (200) and defensive back Randy Piel (18) are expected to win all-conference attention.

Brent Barnes (197) and Larry O'Neal (203) are aggressive defensive ends, and there is good heft at tackle in Jeff Rose (244) and Joey Bevill (235).

Norton is joined at linebacker by Mark Bockeloh (202) and monster Larry Brune (199). Piel (180) comes off an outstanding 1974 season at safety. Gary



RON PARKER returns at tight end for TCU and ranks as premier blocker.



MIKE RENFRO is a swift split end who caught 21 passes for TCU last year.

Cox (165) and Ron Vaughn (165) also were starters as defensive backs.

Kicking has long been a Rice strength. Mike Landrum won all-SWC punting laurels two seasons ago, and his 70-yard boot against LSU was the longest in the conference last year. He also will handle placements and field goals with Alvero Arenas.

Conover, desperately searching for speed, found some acceleration in Steve Gleaves, a running back that Oklahoma tried to get. Other swifties are Guy Booker, Willie McAfee, Carlton Derrett, Charley Taylor and Bobby Tincher.

"We are looking for some burners at running back and receiver," the Rice coach said. "We think we found it."

HOUSTON—Twelve months from now the Cougars face their first Southwest Conference kickoff. They should wait so long.

Houston "veered" to an 8-3-1 record last fall after quarterback Bubba McGallion (185) and fullback John Housman (200) got the team untracked against South Carolina. That was Housman's first starting assignment—it was the fifth game on the schedule—and he missed a 1000-yard rushing level by a mere 12 steps.

The brilliant junior is surrounded with talent in running back Donnie "Quick Draw" McGraw (185), who gained 458 yards in 1974, and flanker Frank Scalise, whose 251 yards paced the receivers.

Tight end Don Bass (210) and split end Eddie Foster (172) combined for 361 yards in catches last fall. They're among 20 lettermen on hand for triple



JOHN HOUSMAN gained 988 yards as soph for Houston despite not becoming starter until fifth game of season.

option innovator Bill Yeoman's 14th season as head coach.

Housman is one of 12 starters back from the club that tied North Carolina State 31-31 in the Bluebonnet Bowl. He will be one of the foremost candidates for postseason honors—with offensive guard Val Belcher (240) and defensive tackles Lee Canallito and Wilson Whitley, both dainty bookend types of 265 pounds.

Houston would have a dynamic team—if they were playing one-platoon football. Seasoned subs are scarce. Graduation wiped out the defensive corners. The clout is in backs and receivers.

Elsewhere in the offensive line are tackles Kevin Rollwage (240) and David Brooks (280), Belcher and Everett Little (275) at guards and Mike Spradlin (228) the center.

Ross Echols (245) and Guy Brown (220) are insiders as starting defensive ends in a final fling at pre-SWC foes. One opponent, Tampa, chucked football but the schedule includes such dangerous challengers as SMU, Miami (Fla.), Rice and Tulsa.

The linebackers are Reid Hansen (210), Paul Humphreys (210) and Kenneth Perry (205).

Mark Mohr (175) and Joe Rust (175) lettered in the secondary in '74. Gary Drake (185) saw limited duty and Anthony Francis (190) is still untested. But he gets his chance.

LONE STAR CONFERENCE

TEXAS A&I—Gil Steinke's NAIA national champions won't easily be dynamited out of their niche atop the Lone Star Conference. The Javelinas are still talent-rich, returning most of the architects of last year's 13-0 record. If they have a serious problem it may be that they will be a marked team in a league where upsets abound.

The offense is again in good hands, directed by

Richard Ritchie (175), who passed and ran for almost 2000 yards from the veer a year ago. Larry Collins, a 1451-yard rusher, is back, along with flanker Glenn Starks (170) and tight end David Hill (216), who combined for 63 pass receptions.

The line in front of them is well-fortified, led by mammoth tackles Larry McFarland (260) and Johnny Martinez (265) and guards Paul Rich (250) and Doug Brice (230).

End Ray Evans and tackle Howard Henderson (230) are veteran leaders on defense, teaming up front with Mike Hawkins and Larry Seidel (220). David Palmore (210), who had 80 tackles and three fumble recoveries to lead the team in 1974, teams with Johnny Barefield (217) and Larry Grunewald at linebacker.

Leonard Avery (7 interceptions) and Larry Harvey return to the secondary, joined by Reginald Jones (185) and Doug Greene.

ABILENE CHRISTIAN—The Wildcats may be ready to explode again, and certainly they are building up to a bareknuckles challenge for the Lone Star title.

Greenville, Miss., is a big reason. Tailback Wilbert Montgomery (192), wingback Cleotha Montgomery (185) and their cousin, fullback Ron McMullin (192), are all from Greenville, and they can all scoot. Wilbert has scored 54 touchdowns in two seasons. Fast-improving Jim Reese will be quarterbacking this high-octane group, and has excellent pass targets in tight end Greg Stirman (220) and split end Johnny Perkins (208).

Don Harrison (240), is a solid tackle, bolstering an offensive line that will include Mark McCurley, guards Garry Moore and Don Wright and center Clint Owens.

Defensively the size is there, with ends Raymond Crosier (240) and Kevin McLeod and tackles Mike Lively (250) and Chuck Lawson (255). Ray Nunez leads a linebacking trio which includes Leroy Polnick and Rusty Breazeale. Harold Nutall, Chuck Sitton, Duff Phipps and Jimmy O'Neal form a young but promising secondary.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS—Third a year ago, the Bobcats may be ready to claw their way into the title picture behind sophomore running stars Kevin Jurajtis (194) and Jessie Davis (204).

Quarterbacking the straight-T, ground-oriented attack will be Gary Frank, with 220-pound Joe Gutierrez filling out the backfield. Little All-American candidate Fred Pointer (262) leads a blocking corps that includes tackles Greg Oehler and Charles Collins (250), guard Craig Dunlavy and center George Pena (222).

Split end Robert Miller returns as the team's top receiver, and Mike Merritt (230) is a solid tight end.

Middle guard Bobby Kotzur (258) anchors the defense, with Ray Washington and Glenn Gundy (220) at ends and Roger Swist and Matt Castillo (248) at tackle. Paul Phillips (215) and Alan Bruns will handle the linebacking, while returnees Leroy Bailey (190), Leon Savage and Kyle Bolen are key secondary figures.

EAST TEXAS STATE—The improved Lions are definite first division material, and if any of the Lone Star favorites falter, East Texas may have the talent and size to grab all the goodies.

Key figures in the Pro-I attack include quarterback Terry Skinner, who passed for 1261 yards last year, and tailback Aundra Thompson (185), who ran for 1086. Gary Bowers or Shedric Smith will be backfield factors, while Bill Carroll (205), Chris Lemberg and Mark McDowell should inherit the pass-catching duties. In front of them are Larry Bell (280), Louis Hill, David Bryant (240), and center Marty Berryman (230).

The defense should have size and speed. Tackles Joe Petrino (260) and Ronnie Gant (270) are hard to move, teaming up front with Charles Swist, Obie Wilson and Billy Thrailkill. Sid Cates, David Stewart and Steve Wade are good linebackers, while the top hands in the secondary include Tim Collier, ex-tailback David Farris (190) and Al Hones.

S.F. AUSTIN—If the Lumberjacks are to hew out another 9-2 record in Dick Munsinger's first season at the helm they need to come up with a field general, but most of the other necessary ingredients are there to mount a challenge to the Lone Star favorites.

Rusty Johnson and Scott Randolph will vie for the quarterback job, fronting a solid group of rushers—fullback Hardin Weech (211) and halfbacks Jeff Bergeron (187) and John Reece. Aldo Knox, Anthony Washington and Andy Wilkins will be the receivers. One of the great strengths should be the offensive line, where Jesse Borner (265) was all-conference and will team with Oscar Hill (240), Joe Harvey (250), Charles Farrell (225) and Larry Schultz.

Linebackers Otis Norris (all-conference) and Robert Vinson head the defense, where the only problem is with the line. Sam Jones (230) and Kenny Andrews should be the ends, with David Brown (230) a good tackle and Dennis Gerik solid at nose guard. Jerry Harris (195), Ike Hayes, Stacy Haynes and Tommy Parr form a capable secondary.

ANGELO STATE—The Rams may be ready to butt somebody out of the championship in Jim Hess' second year at the controls. Certainly a rise from last year's 5-6 record is indicated with 38 lettermen and some outstanding individuals on hand.

An all-veteran offensive line of Norman Abshire, John Davis, Howard Wells, Dwane Osborne and Steve Taylor is a plus factor in front of quarterback Lynn Leonard, who threw for a school record 1679 yards last season. Leonard's chief targets will be Steve Wilson (185) and Nathan Mathis, with Willie Burton, Melvin DeBose and Duane Sisson handling the running duty.

Linebackers Mike Calcote (238) and Mark Robertson are standouts. Keith Ligon (225) joins them behind a forward wall of Gary Kerr (225), Tim Clarke (218), Jim Phillips (240) and Kenneth Kenard (228).

Jay Wimmer (185) and James Cross (180) return in the secondary, along with Roy Bobbitt and Steve Springer.



WILBERT MONTGOMERY of Wildcats is one of three speedsters in the backfield.

GREG STIRMAN will be on the receiving end of many Abilene Christian passes.



SAM HOUSTON STATE—Dr. Billy Tidwell hopes that James Oliphant and more experience will be the right prescription for an upward surge for the Bearkats.

Oliphant (192) rushed for 615 yards a year ago and has strong rushing support from Kenny Rodgers and Kenneth Middleton. Versatile Guido Merkens returns at quarterback, with Gil Edwards and Mike Vavala taking over the receiving spots.

Tackle Jack Armstead (268) heads the offensive line which also includes Frank Vavala, Jimmy Sylvia, Tommy Sims and Bill Menking.

A young secondary of David Smith, Clinton Conley, Danny Reeves and Mike Nelms needs to come through but the defense has potentially good linebacking from Dennis Basket and Mike Armstrong. Tackle Steve Meyer (236) and guard Rick Henderson (247) team with Steve Skrla, Cleveland Lane and Gary Bender in the line.

HOWARD PAYNE—Dean Slayton has 15 returning starters in camp, and is banking on that experience, especially on offense, to carry the Yellowjackets upward from last year's sixth place finish.

The strong point is the offensive line, where guard Eddie Bull (250), tackles Kirk Johnson (275) and Jimmy Floyd, guard Mike Blackburn and center Jim Harlan can move people. Senior Dennis Peel takes over at quarterback, throwing to swift Lewis Barr and Larry Nelson and giving the ball to Willie Phea, who rushed for 950 yards last season, and Duane McMeans.

Slayton is concerned about the defense, where Claude Henry, Rick Wilson, Jesse Tello (240) and Elray Evans line up in front. Gary Robinson is joined at linebacker by Gary DeLoach and Glenn Hightower, while Herbert Reese is a standout in a secondary that will include Mike King and Mike Cloud.

SUL ROSS—The Lobos hope to climb in the Lone Star standings (ninth a year ago), primarily on the running of Robert Bolden (175) and Joe Riley (190) from the slot-I.

In front of them will be a smallish but quick line led by guards David Wood (215) and Stan Caffey (210). The tackles are Tom Guiliano (220) and Clay Conwell (225), with Lee Hunter at center. Billy Byrd is a top receiver, and Rocky White (210) is stable at tight end. The quarterbacking will fall to either Wayne Peters or Ricky Watts.

Linebacker Joe Sanchez (190) and tackle Juan Sanchez (230) are the heart of the defense. Jack Jameson is the other tackle, with Lonnie Seipp, Bob Patrick (215) and guard Jay Pollard (240) filling out the line and Don Bouska pairing with Sanchez at linebacker.

Jerry Neel heads a secondary that includes Melvin Jackson, Rex Whitfield and Mike Bacofer.

TARLETON STATE—Buddy Fornes' Texans continue to creep toward respectability, banking on increased experience (25 lettermen) for a stronger showing than last year's 1-9 record.

There is good speed for the pro offense, and 10 offensive starters back, although many of them are young. The strength of the offense will be in tackles Rick O'Teter (230) and Mike Steinke. Glenn Elliott, Andy Chesney and Randal Anderson fill out the line. Sophomore Lance Blackwell is at quarterback, throwing to Bubba Grooms and tight end Mike Perry (200).

The running attack will come from David Konenberg (215), Chuck High, Johnny Anderson, Jimmy Roberts and Tally Neal.

Size is lacking on defense, but Sam Harriston (180) is a standout defensive back. His mates will be Terry Bryson, Carl Pleasant and Ken Wiethorn.

Larry LaTour, Bit Kelley (215), Kevin Warren and John Callaway (230) man the front line, with Steve Roberson, Keith Miller and Mike Schuelke at linebacker.

SOUTHLAND CONFERENCE

LOUISIANA TECH—Success breeds success for Maxie Lambright, whose Bulldogs went 11-1 last year and have a 44-4 mark for the past four seasons. No one is suggesting much of a letdown, with 32 lettermen on hand, 13 of them starters in 1974.

If rushers John Henry White and Arny Moody (210) take charge, the offense will again be potent. Steve Haynes and Randy Robertson return at quarterback, along with split end Pat Tilley, All-American tight end Mike Barber (220, with 4.5 speed) and flanker Billy Ryckman.

Guards Gerald Eddings (245) and Ken Cooley, center Dan Core and tackles Melvin McCoy and Ken Bonnette form a solid line.

There were more serious losses on defense, but nose guard Rodney Bagley, end Danny Curtis and back Donnie Perry are standout veterans. The tackles will be Mike Thompson (250) and Don Miller, with Charlie Hendricks and Jerry Davis backing up the line. Larry Anderson, Terry Slack and Byron Rettig (195) join Perry in the secondary.

MCNEESE STATE—The Cowboys hope to emerge from the pack for a title challenge riding the talents of

quarterback Johnny Thibodeaux (190), who gained 1540 yards last year.

Mike McArthur (175) and Bobby Wilson (203) are uncommon backs, while Gary Broussard and Jim Gonsoulin will be targets for Thibodeaux's passes. The offensive front features All-America James Files (240), moved this year to center and flanked by tackles Billy Phipps (239) and Richard Cassell (246) and guards Barry Kimble and Mike Bolt.

A smallish defensive line is a worry, but Wayne Adams (215), Mitch Tysun, Kyle Talbot and Darrell Hinton should be adequate. Billy Mosely, James Meche and Bob Howell will be at linebacker, with Ralph Phillips (186), Roger Bajon, Alan Carter and Kent Aguiard in the secondary.

ARKANSAS STATE—A big, mobile defensive crew will be the key to the Indians' bid for improvement on last year's 7-3 record, with 10 starters returning to the defense and only five on offense.

All-Conference recognition has already fallen to tackle Dick Dixon (250) and linebacker Mike Malham (205), and they get solid help from end Robert Speer (225), tackle Eddie Morgan (240) and guard Bill Muzik (210), plus linebacker Jerry Muckenturm (210). In the secondary, Roy Painter (195) had three interceptions in 1974, as did Lloyd Walls. They're joined by veterans Doyle Cross and David Hines.

The offensive question marks begin at quarterback where the job is up for grabs among non-lettermen Bucky Layne, Randy Reed and John Erwin. John Tierney (220) is the most experienced running back, and he gained 192 yards last season. Others in the picture include transfer Dennis Bolden and letterman Tommy Foulks (205). Jaime Klipsch (225) is a solid tight end.

Veteran guards Ken Jones (245) and T. J. Humphreys (245) fortify a line that will also include Randy Golden (250) and either Bill Graff (235) or Joel Mullins.

TEXAS-ARLINGTON—A fine job of recruiting, including some outstanding junior college talent, could produce startling improvement from last year's 1-10 record at UTA.

Coach Bud Elliott anticipates a swift-striking wishbone offense featuring speedsters Elmo Simmons (190), Ricky Kelley (178) and Jimmy Bailey (186) and fullback Derrick Johnson (222). Transfer Doug Dobbins (200) or soph Craig Carney will be at the controls, and tight end Bruce Marshall and split end Reggie Barnett are sure receivers.

More size and depth make the offensive line a source of more satisfaction. Standouts could include Bob Beckner (250), John Powell (270) or Marvin Williams (250) at tackle and Bennie Witherspoon, David Smalls and Tom Pittman at guard.

There's more experience on defense, where Paul Baskerville and Steve Coker are at end, Dwight Carey (255) and Charlie Dews (255) at tackle and Danny Belcher (210) at guard. Lance Stephens and David Hamilton head the linebacking corps. The secondary should be solid, with all-conference D. J.

Williams and Eugene Ayers at the corners, C. E. Williams at rover and Ed Favors at safety.

LAMAR—Graduation left serious dents in the Cardinals' defense-oriented second-place team of a year ago, and there will be a lot of new faces in the lineup as Vernon Glass's team strives to match that 8-2 record.

The offense could be improved, especially if quarterback Bobby Flores (167) returns to the form that took him to 890 air yards as a freshman in 1973 before he was injured last fall. Backfield help will come from Anthony Pendland and Dale Spence, while Flores will be chunking to Larry Spears, Ricky Gohlke and Steve Collazo.

Tackle Darryl Waldrep and guard Brad Lowe return, joined in the line by John Hensley (245), Bart Simmons and Mark Kebodeaux.

The rebuilt defense still owns outstanding performers in tackle Donald Davis (234), linebacker Harold Harris (210) and cornerback Roy Hudson. Also counted upon are tackle Paul Taylor, linebackers Lonnie McGowen and Scott Coon and cornerback Audwin Samuel (160).

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA—A clue to the upward mobility of the Cajuns is that last year's conference-leading passer, Barry Pollard, faces a battle for his quarterback job against Ray Henry, one of a horde of talented transfers.

Defense is where USL could really shine, with big things predicted for linebacker G. A. Rodrique and ends Jim Pinegar and John Bordelon. The interior of the wide-tackle six will be handled by Andy Harrison (255), Gerald Johnson, Keith Walker (250) and Ed Perkins (245). Brady Muth joins Rodrique at linebacker, while Sidney Venable, Barry Johnson and Steve Judice are in the secondary.

Emanuel Guidry is a top running back, and a gang of fine receivers will be headed by Doug Hundley (220), Roy Williams, Ulysses Abbott and transfer Dave Oliver. The offensive line of Leander Tatford (240), Mike Domas, Sidney Taylor, Larry Marshall and Ken Bradley will average out at 230 for a more physical look than a year ago.

As frosting on the cake USL has one of the nation's best kickers in Rafael Septien, who booted a 57-yard field goal last season.

INDEPENDENTS

TEXAS LUTHERAN—Jim Wacker returns 18 starters from an 11-0 team which won the NAIA Division II crown while outscoring its foes 421-44, and the Bulldogs should be just as imposing in 1975.

The loaded look begins with junior quarterback Mike Washington, a second-team All-America who ran for 15 TDs and passed for nine more. His rushing help will come from Terrell Johnson, Charles Franks and John Salinas, while tight end Robert Valdez (195) and wide receivers Bruce Dickey and Brock Kalmbach are fine targets. Returning to the offensive line are tackles Jocky Gadison and John Tackitt (240) and guards Steve Mzyk and Jerry Ellis.

Wacker's multiple defense features nose guard Willie Gipson, tackle Phil Dunne (220), ends Fred Davis and Donnie Beicker and cornerbacks Kevin Ott and Terry Morris, with experience lacking only at linebacker.

TRINITY—The Tigers will get their kicks this fall, with long-distance boomer Duncan Pringle available for field goals, and should have enough firepower to go with him to improve on last year's 5-5-1 mark.

The high hopes begin with a solid defensive line led by tackles Frank Brown (235) and Jesse Del Castillo and guards John Crafton (230) and Mark Luitjen. Buddy Tomasi, who picked off seven passes in 1974, tops a secondary of Scott Moore, Austin Bruno and Allen Robertson. The linebacking will be handled by Walter Negley, John Lyon and Buddy Byers.

Quarterback is up for grabs between veterans Hector Rodriguez and Tommy Hill, and the winner will have an able target in wingback Stan Davis. Raul Reynosa and Jeff Hooks complete the receiving corps. Richard Draper (190) is back at fullback with Kyle Crawford or Luis Rodriguez the probable halfback starter. The offensive line features tackles Jim Castellaw and Rudy Jimenez and guards Tom Burkholder and Mike Brown.

MCMURRY—The Indians' hopes for warpath success rest on 31 lettermen, a punishing ground game and mobile linebackers.

The running stars are fullback Harvey Oaxaca (217) and tailback Sylvester Holmes (190), while Mike Browning inherits the quarterback job. He'll have excellent targets in George Campbell (195) who caught 25 passes a year ago, Randy Pool and Gordon Buis. Guard Doyle Snell (210), tackle George Worthington (241) and center Richard King are standouts in the line.

The defensive front will be new except for end Hershel Jones, but linebackers Billy Shelby, Mike Mathis and Steve Lopez could be outstanding, and Billy Sudbury and Adrian Allen are fine defensive backs.

AUSTIN COLLEGE—Better health for quarterback Larry Tidwell (200) and the return of the entire defensive unit could mean vast improvement on the Kangaroos' 2-6-1 mark of a year ago.

That veteran defense includes ends Lynn McGlothlin and David Capper, tackles Russ Harlow (215) and Bryan McCamey (200), guard Charlie Hollingsworth, linebackers Rusty Cade (190) and Don Adams and backs Brad Kizzia, Mike McCoy, John Myers and Willie Williams. They shut out two foes in 1974 and held a couple of others to one TD.

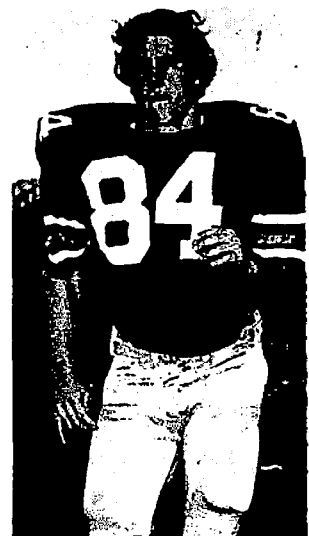
Tidwell owns a rifle arm, but coach Larry Kramer expects some fancy footwork from running backs Paul Kennedy (210) and Bucky Taylor (185), the team's 1-2 rushers as freshmen last year. Wendell Brown and David Jefferson will be the wide receivers, with Mark Morris (195) or Mark Angeli at tight end. Roger Luttrell (195) is outstanding at center in a line that includes Mike Farrish and guards Al Hockaday and Mike McCall.



RIK BONNESS, Nebraska's standout center, leads blocking for fullback **TONY DAVIS**, who rushed for 687 yards in '74 season.



MIKE FULTZ, DT, named Big Eight Soph of Year in '74 at Nebraska.

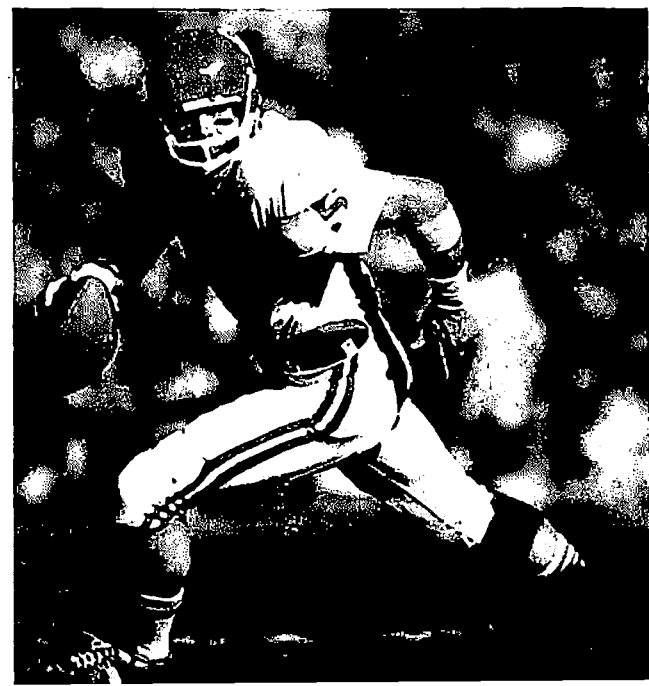


TONY GALBREATH is powerful Missouri tailback, teammate **BOB McROBERTS** a solid defensive tackle.



JOE WASHINGTON, Oklahoma's All-America back, enters senior season with 3124 yards rushing total, a 6.4 yard average.

STEVE DAVIS, 5-10 senior, has never quarterbacked a losing game at Oklahoma, guiding Sooners to 21-0 record over 2 years.





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Big Eight and Missouri Valley

SOONERS SET TO ADD TO WIN STREAK AND GAIN ANOTHER NATIONAL CROWN

PREDICTIONS

Big Eight

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|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1. Oklahoma | 5. Iowa State |
| 2. Missouri | 6. Colorado |
| 3. Nebraska | 7. Kansas State |
| 4. Oklahoma State | 8. Kansas |

Missouri Valley

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|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Tulsa | 5. Drake |
| 2. Louisville | 6. Wichita State |
| 3. West Texas State | * Southern Illinois |
| 4. New Mexico State | Ineligible for title |

Independents

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| 1. North Texas State | 4. North Dakota State |
| 2. North Dakota | 5. South Dakota State |
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Oklahoma appears destined to sweep across the Plains again this season, padding its 29-game unbeaten streak in quest of its fourth consecutive Big Eight Conference championship. Also on the line will be the mythical national crown the Sooners garnered in most national polls and publications last season.

In the Missouri Valley Conference, which has been prone to multi-team title finishes, Tulsa should emerge as the undisputed champion for a second straight time and could make a dent nationally, as it did in '74.

But despite returning the bulk of the offensive personnel that propelled them to over-matched situations against most opponents, the Sooners and Tulsa will be tested on at least several occasions.

Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma State are the best prepared Big Eight teams when it comes to head-to-head confrontation with the Sooners, who have a conference winning string of 20 games.

Top pursuers of the Tulsa Hurricane will be Louisville and West Texas State.

New coaches, a new league member and a dropout have spiced the off-season activity. And the Big Eight had its perennial rush to the post-season games when Nebraska edged Florida, 13-10, in the Sugar Bowl and Oklahoma State downed Brigham Young, 16-16, in the Sun Bowl.

Oklahoma, for a second straight year, was deprived of a post-season encounter as dictated by

the 2-year probation handed down by the National Collegiate Athletic Association. Also off television because of the N.C.A.A. ruling, the Sooners will be eligible for a bowl game after the '75 season, and after serving the final season of the TV ban, will be seen on the tube if they reach a post-season game.

Bud Moore, a disciple of Paul (Bear Bryant) at Alabama, has replaced Don Fambrough as the head coach at the University of Kansas. Ellis Rainsberger, who as an aide helped rebuild Wisconsin Badgers, returns to his alma mater, Kansas State, and succeeds Vince Gibson, who steps into the Missouri Valley wars as the leader of the Red Rags at Louisville.

North Texas State has bolted the Valley and has been replaced by Southern Illinois University, which won't be eligible for the gridiron title until 1977 or '78.

In the Big Eight, where 50 offensive and 43 defensive starters return, all-leaguers coming back are Tinker Owens (Oklahoma flanker), Rik Bonness (Nebraska center), Laverne Smith (Kansas halfback), Tony Galbreath (Missouri tailback); Joe Washington (O.U. halfback), Cliff Parsley (Oklahoma State punter), Jimbo Elrod (O.U. defensive end), Phillip Dokes (Oklahoma State defensive tackle), Kurt Knoff (Kansas safety), and the Selmons of Oklahoma, Dewey (nose guard) and LeRoy (defensive tackle).

Owens, Bonness, Washington and the Selmons also made assorted All-America teams.

The Valley returns a dozen all-leaguers, headed by Tulsa quarterback Jeb Blount, the offensive player of the year. Teammates Steve Largent (wide receiver), Greg Fairchild (offensive lineman), Wes Hamilton (offensive lineman), Byron Franklin (linebacker) and Buddy Tate (defensive back) also made the all-star outfit. Other all-leaguers in harness are Carl Dean, offensive lineman from New Mexico State; Floyd Jones, defensive lineman from West Texas State; Dave Warren, Wichita State linebacker, and Louisville's punter, Wilbur Summers, the only repeater from the '73 team.

Iowa State and Southern Illinois will open new stadiums this fall.

Oklahoma is coming off a 7-0 conference mark and was 11-0. Missouri and Nebraska shared the runner-up spot at 5-2, while the Cornhuskers were 8-3 overall compared with Mizzou's 7-4 showing. Oklahoma State went 4-3 and 6-5, Colorado 3-4 and

5-6, Iowa State 2-5 and 4-7, Kansas State and Kansas were both 1-6 and 4-7.

Tulsa ran away with the M.V.C. crown on a 6-0 sweep on the way to its 8-3 display. Louisville, under the deposed F. A. Dry, was 3-2 and 3-7, West Texas State 3-3 and 6-5, Drake 2-3-1 and 3-7-1, New Mexico State 2-3 and 6-5, Wichita State 1-4-1 and 1-9-1, and Southern Illinois, as an independent, suffered at 2-9.

The Big Eight has entered in a contract with the Orange Bowl, starting with this season and running through '78, to send the champion to the annual post-season game in Miami.

In the last three seasons eight Big Eight representatives have made the post-season scene. While last season's bowl chart listed only two Big Eight outfits, expectations for this year center around the return to eligibility by Oklahoma and the overall stability of Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma State, plus anticipated improvement from Iowa State.

Big Eight fathers are still savoring Oklahoma's national championship, the third in the last five years by a league member. Five league members were listed in the nation's Top 20 poll at one time or another during the '74 go-round and Big Eighters won all except 11 non-conference outings, lifting their 5-year showing to 123 victories against 50 losses and four ties.

With another subtle turnover in the coaching ranks, Missouri's Al Onofrio emerges as the dean of Big Eight mentors after three seasons. His record is 22-24-0.

Barry Switzer of Oklahoma has yet to suffer a collegiate-coaching defeat, guiding the Sooners to a 21-0-1 mark in two campaigns. Tom Osborne, also at the head-coaching helm a pair of seasons, has led Nebraska to an 18-5-1 reading.

Iowa State's Earle Bruce (8-14) and Jim Stanley (12-9-2) of Oklahoma State are beginning their third seasons. Bruce's overall career mark is now 18-16. Bill Mallory, who took over at Colorado last year and went 5-6, has a career record of 44-18-0.

In the Valley, Drake's Jack Wallace is the gray beard among coaches with a 10-year 56-47-3 record.

Gene Mayfield (15-28-0) will be entering his fifth season at West Texas State, while F. A. Dry (17-10) has three and one-half campaigns behind him at Tulsa. Jim Bradley posted a 10-12-0 mark in two years at New Mexico State, while Wichita State's Jim Wright (1-9-1) and Doug Weaver (2-9-0) of Southern Illinois didn't fare too well in their initial tours of duty.

Louisville's Gibson went 33-52-0 as Weaver's successor (eight years ago) at Kansas State, where the latter was 8-60-1 in seven seasons.

BIG EIGHT

OKLAHOMA—Would you believe the Sooners could be better? It's possible, even on the wings of 43 points and 508 yards a game, while limiting its 1974 opponents to 231.5 yards and 8.4 points an outing.

So what for an encore? Coach Barry Switzer says his backfield of quarterback Steve Davis, halfbacks Joe Washington and Elvis Peacock and fullback Jim

Littrell is the best O.U. has had. He points to good returning depth as the reason he isn't worried about replacing voids in the offensive line. "The defensive line is real good," the Sooner mentor adds. "The secondary is solid. What we need are two stingers at linebacker. We like to have people there who are extra special."

In the number of returnees, the Sooners aren't as imposing as a year ago. But that is deceiving because waiting in the wings, ready to pounce on positions where they are needed, are talented red-shirts.

Davis, the master of the wishbone, rolled up 1260 yards of total offense last season, scoring nine touchdowns. Washington scampered with Davis's pitchouts for 1321 yards and returned 24 punts for another 332 yards and a T.D., one of the league-leading 14 he tallied. Littrell, the unsung member of the O.U. backfield, slammed for 827 yards. Peacock, already being compared with Sooner greats, steps in after brilliant spot performances as a freshman.

Backing up Davis will be Kerry Jackson, Joe McReynolds and Dean Blevins, undoubtedly good enough to start for most teams. And shadowing the running backs will be Horace Ivy, Johnny Bunch, Jimmy Rogers, Rich McCampbell, Myron Shoate and Larry Lawton, to name a few.

Tinker Owens and Billy Brooks are possibly the top 1-2 receiving corps in the nation, even though O.U. averaged throwing the ball about eight times a game last season.

Guard Terry Webb (6-0, 241) and tackle Mike Vaughan (6-6, 290) are returning starters in the offensive line. Dennis Buchanan (6-2, 216), steps in at center after sitting out last season because Kyle Davis, an All-America, was in that position. Letterman Chez Evans (6-3, 270) will move to the tackle opposite Vaughan and red-shirt Jamie Melendez (6-2, 260) inherits a starting guard role. Red-shirt Keith Thomas (6-3, 214) looks like the heir as right end, while youngsters Jeff Ward (6-6, 275), Jeff Bodine (6-4, 230) and Karl Baldischwiler (6-5, 250) are destined for backup duty in the interior of the line.

Tony DiRienzo, 39-for-39 on extra points and 6-for-11 on field goals, is the O.U. placement man again. Either Zac Henderson or Littrell will do the punting.

Henderson, who was the free safety as a freshman last season, joins Sid Brown and Eric Van Camp at the corners and another letterman, Scott Hill, will move to strong safety.

Up front on defense will be Selmon and Selmon—Dewey (6-1, 248) and LeRoy (6-2, 259)—leading the charge from nose guard and left tackle, respectively. Jimbo Elrod (6-1, 200) returns to the right flank, and his '74 backup, Duane Baccus (6-5, 225), moves to left end. Also returning is Anthony Bryant (6-3, 240), first-team right tackle. Veterans Mike Phillips and Glen Comeaux are in the wings, as is yearling Terry Sherman.

The worrisome linebacker situation could be eased quickly with the solid performance from red-shirts Russ Williamson and Obie Moore, a letterman as a freshman in '73. Lettermen Marty Brecht and Jamie

Thomas are available.

It all adds up to another explosive Sooner outfit, with as much or more quickness and speed than it has ever possessed. If linebackers fulfill expectations, it will be another defensive power.

MISSOURI—Coach Al Onofrio, not in the habit of expressing optimism, has ventured confidence in his 1975 Tigers, saying: "We are secure at the specialty positions. We have a proven tailback, a good throwing quarterback and speed at slotback. We have experience in the secondary."

The Tigers have only five returning starters with the offensive unit, but they include quarterback Steve Pisarkiewicz, who as a sophomore led M.U. to a share of second place in the Big Eight with 828 yards and six touchdown passes. And there is Tony Galbreath (6-1, 237), a power runner who can go the distance and had 870 yards and eight TDs last season to propel him to All-Conference honors. Anchoring the line will be Mike Owens (6-4, 235), and tackles D. W. Johnston (6-4, 246), and Morris Towns (6-4, 264), around whom lettermen Bob Carr, Tom Kowalczyk, Larry McDevitt, Ken Kells and Joel Yearian will operate.

Targets for Pisarkiewicz's aerals are seasoned Charley Douglas, tight end, and flanker Henry Marshall. Percy McBride, a juco all-America, will help.

Speed and game-breakers can be found in Joe Stewart, who saw first-unit backfield duty as a freshman, Annise Davis, Steve Mally, Jornel Williams and Curtis Brown, a juco transfer. Steady Randy Grossart, veteran slotback, is also a fine receiver.

The always-proud Mizzou defense must be rebuilt, but Onofrio has more size available. Middle guard Tom Cooper, end Bob McRoberts and cornerbacks Ken Downing and Rob Fitzgerald are returning starters. There is an experienced hand at each position except right tackle.

Mizzou's kicking game exudes stability in punter Jim Goble (39.3 average) and placekicker Tom Gibbons.

If the Tigers can survive the non-conference rigors of playing Alabama, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan—in that order—they could be a solid outfit.

NEBRASKA—For the first time in many years, the Cornhuskers will open a season without an established quarterback. But shed no tears for Coach Tom Osborne because he has at least four signalcallers anxious to gain starting status with a multi-talented backfield with which to operate.

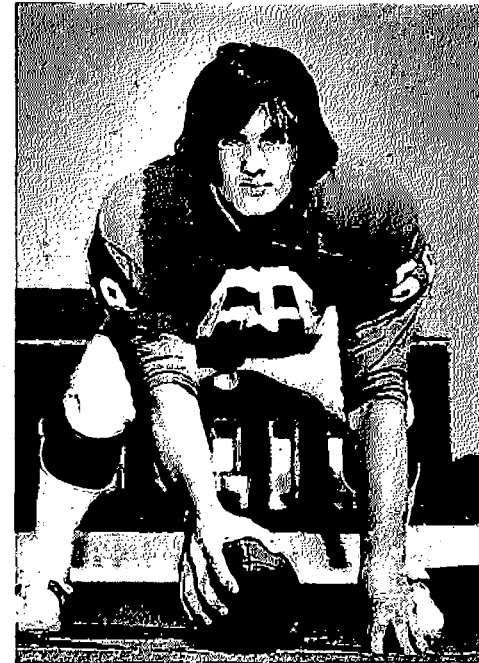
Terry Luck, star of the Sugar Bowl conquest of Florida after three knee operations, heads the list of successors to David Humm as the N.U. quarterback. Pushing Luck are Vince Ferragamo, once a starter at California; Randy Garcia, like Ferragamo a fine passer; and Tim Sorley, who possesses the versatility of Luck.

Quarterback appears to be the only indecisive area for the Huskers.

The offensive line must be rebuilt, but tight end Larry Mushinski and Rik Bonness, possibly one of the best centers in the country, provide solid anchor. Letterman Bob Lingenfelter (6-7, 275), Dan Schmidt



BRENT ROBINSON, known as Radar, paced Oklahoma St. in tackles last year.



GARY CHLOUBER, OSU's consistent center, ranks as team leader by example.

(6-1, 225), Steve Hoins (6-4, 241), Rick Costanzo (6-5, 250) and newcomer Stan Waldemore (6-3, 240) should be more than adequate replacements up front.

Brad Jenkins has savvy at tight end, while the wide game is in excellent shape with Chuck Malito and Bobby Thomas returning.

Running backs Tony Davis (526 yards), Monte Anthony (587) and John O'Leary (499) represent the explosive balance of the Cornhusker I-formation attack. Also packing experience are Dave Gillespie and Gary Riggs, while sophomore Lafayette Donnel has potential, and former quarterback Earl Everett will join veteran Tom Heiser and freshmen Curtis Craig and Darrell Walton in the 3-deep wingback picture.

Inexperience at linebacker appears to be the only chink in the defensive armor of the Cornmen. Percy Eichelberger is the lone letterman available, but Randy Rich, a juco transfer, is among three or four touted candidates.

Ron Pruitt (6-3, 244), Bob Martin (6-1, 208), Mike Fultz (6-5, 254) and John Lee (6-2, 252) are defensive line starters again this season. Willie Thornton will again back up Lee at middle guard, while end Dave Redding and tackles Jerry Wied and Dean Gissler and newcomer Ray Phillips reflect the solid defensive structure.

Secondary vets Wonder Monds and Jim Burrow will get experienced help from Jim Seeton, Chuck Jones and Dave Butterfield, as well as Kent Smith, a yearling with promise.

This Nebraska team doesn't appear as power-packed as some in the past, but with five consecutive home games on which to open the campaign, it might mature in a hurry.

OKLAHOMA STATE—Fresh from its first post-season bowl trip—and victory—in 16 years, the Cowboys appear on the threshold of becoming a serious title contender.

With effective talent in abundance and ownership of the best kicking game in the conference, Coach Jim Stanley faces the task of rebuilding the defense.

He believes he has quality people available with four returning starters among the 10 defensive lettermen, and has centered junior college recruiting on shoring up this unit.

But first the good news at O-State, reflected in the return of 24 offensive lettermen, five more than the defense can claim.

Quarterback is a problem area only because three players are in contention for the No. 1 job. Charlie Weatherbie, the best passer (42 or 114—622 yards), logged the most times last season. Stanley wants to use the slot-I more to utilize the smooth junior's aerials. Scott Burk, a sophomore, can manipulate the wishbone the best of the three, but Jimmy Derrick is the top running threat.

The Cowboys are experienced and deep at running back, flashing Terry Miller (334 yards), Robert Turner (322), Skip Taylor (296), Kenny Walker (261), Wes Hankins (87). Walker was the offensive star of the Fiesta Bowl.

Up front the 'Pokes returning starters are center Gary Chlouber (6-2, 227) and Derrel Gofourth (6-2, 230), Letterman Larry Harris, Mike Ritz, Jim Ledford, Bob Ringwell and Bruce Blankenship, a tight end, will move up. Wide receivers Sam Lisle and Gerald Bain are in starting harness again.

Abby Daigle, who toed through 10 field goals last season, and Cliff Parshey, the league's top punter the last two years (41.5-yard average), keep the Cowboys in good shape in the kicking game.

All-league tackle Phil Dokes (6-5, 255) and running mate James White (6-5, 256) join linebacker Brent Robinson and free safety Darnell Myers as the only returning defensive starters. Immediate help is expected at end from juco transfers Donny Edwards and Lorenzo Turner, and lettermen Mike Allen and Daria Butler. Veterans Richard Allen and Chris Dawson inherit down-lineman positions, while Rich Hallacker moves up at linebacker, and Willie Lester, Milton Kirven, Kent Shirley and Carl Stremme are savvy-wise returnees in the secondary, where Joe Avanzini, a starter until injured last season, joins juco Clifton Sullivan in providing additional depth.

IOWA STATE—Last season the Cyclones won their four games in the mid-section of their schedule, then finished with consecutive setbacks at the hands of Oklahoma, Nebraska, Missouri and Oklahoma State by a combined 33 points.

Coach Earle Bruce projects better returns in '75, not only because he has eight returning starters on offense, but because he expects to get more duty from quarterback Buddy Hardeman.

Hardeman was injured on the opening play of the season, and although Wayne Stanley and Tom Mason (who also played wingback) were adequate successors, without a runner of Hardeman's stature, the young Cyclone backfield never lived up to expectations.

Now tailback Mike Williams (464 yards) is ready to make his niche, along with fullback Jim Wingen-der, who will be pressed by newcomer Anthony Norman, a 6-5, 220-pounder with 04.4 speed.

The potential explosiveness carries over to the



DAVID WILLIAMS shows quarterback credentials to make Colorado a winner.



TERRY KUNZ gained 700 yards while picking up seven TDs for Colorado.

receiving corps, where Luther Blue (26 catches, 450 yards, 4 TDs) holds forth when he isn't returning kickoffs, a department in which he led the nation with a 32.8-yard average.

Tackle Randy Young (6-6, 249), guard Bob Bos (6-6, 247) and Jack Thomas (6-1, 215), center Jeff Jones (6-2, 225) and tight end Dave Greenwood head a sound offensive line.

In about as good a shape is the defensive structure with returning starters Ray King, Mike Stensrud and Jimmy Potter up front, and battle-wise Lenzy Perine, Tom Randall, Maynard Stensrud, Craig Volkens and Ron McFarland supplying depth. Tony Hawkins returns at a corner, Sy Bassett at rover, a lettermen Jerry Jaksich, Bill Larkin and Wayne Lyle are available to shore up vacancies.

Linebacking is a trouble spot, depth-wise, despite the return of Mike Gnade and Lagrant Anthony.

A placekicker and a punter also must be uncovered.

COLORADO—Defensive-proud Bill Mallory suffered in his first season as coach of the Buffaloes, but his offense provided consistency that will carry over. However, Mallory is still concerned about his defense, noting: "It remains a big question mark. We are still trying to put it together and there are many ifs to solve."

The Buffs, who were third in the league in rushing passing and total offense, lost only one starter off this unit and are two-deep in lettermen at all positions except quarterback. The backfield of quarterback David Williams (73-for-139 and 899 yards passing), tailback Billy Waddy (765 yards), fullback Terry Kunz (693 and 9 TDs) and wingback Emory Moorehead, returns intact. And Melvin Johnson saw about as much duty as Waddy.



MIKE WILLIAMS has edge for Iowa State tailback spot and teammate JEFF JONES is cat-quick, solid center.

In the line, where guard Al Dages saw backup duty last season, starters Mark Koncar, Leon White, Pete Brock, Steve Young and Don Hasselbeck, are the most experienced unit in the league. Wide receivers Rick Elwood and Larry Williams, who played in the shadow of Dave Logan—who has moved to wing-back, give C.U. pass-catching stability. Rod Perry, another speedster, is coming off an injury-plagued campaign and will give the Buffs a kick return threat.

Behind Williams at quarterback is Jeff Austin, a junior college transfer, known for his size (6-4, 215) and passing ability.

The defense is another story, coming into the season after a dismal last-place ranking against the

rush (251.3 yards a game), in total defense (368 yards a game) and in scoring (27.9 points an outing).

The ends are well-manned with Troy Archer (6-3, 219) and Whitney Paul (6-5, 214), and Steve Griffin is a veteran nose guard. Cornerback Tom Hilton, safety Jerry Martinez and Mike McCoy, the league's No. 2 kick-off returner, round out the list of returning starters.

KANSAS STATE—Probably possessing the best young talent at the skill positions since the early days of Lynn Dickey, Clarence Scott and Mike Montgomery, the Wildcats won't get well overnight, but look ready to start their climb back to gridiron respectability.

Coach Ellis Rainsberger inherits six starters from the offensive unit and seven on defense. Quarterback poses an interesting problem for the first-year mentor with sophomore Arthur Bailey, who logged first-unit time in '74, being rushed by another pair of sophs, Joe Hatcher and Larry Crawford and junior Tom Merrifield.

The strength of the 'Cats will be in their linebacking, possibly the best in the league, with Carl Pennington, Theophilis Bryant, Denny Cragg and Gary Spani holding forth. Sophomore Tom Price could come through, too, freeing Bryant for duty at nose guard.

Offensively, the interior of the line lists returning starters Floyd Dorsey (6-3, 216), Mark Zier (6-5, 237) and Tim Wasemiller (6-2, 235). Tom Winchell

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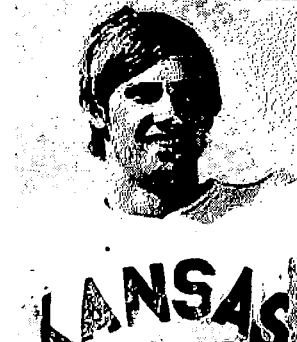
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FLOYD DORSEY showed top potential as freshman guard at KSU in 1974.

ROSCOE SCOEY ranked as Kansas State's top ground-gainer last year.



KURT KNOFF, 6-3, 200, Kansas safety, is two-time All Big Eight selection.

LAVERNE SMITH gained 1235 yards for Kansas U. and scored 5 TDs in 1974.



and Dave Chambliss provide K-State with excellent tight ends, so instrumental to carry out Rainsberg plan to operate out of the power-I formation.

Chris Malmgren, Roy Shine, Rickey Gray, Lou Wegerer, Vic Chandler and Perry Viers were starters at one time or another a year ago across the defensive front. Rocky Osborn and Paul Smith are senior cornerbacks, with Dennis Frazee, a letterman, ready to step in at monster. Jim Lembright has logged time at safety and Henry Lige, injured early last fall, can play a corner.

David Cheves is the all-purpose kicking specialist for the 'Cats, while Alonzo Wade, Stan Ross and Kirk Darland head the wide-receiving corps.

Undoubtedly, Rainsberger will make personnel changes before the opener. Should Hatcher emerge as the No. 1 quarterback, Bailey and/or Crawford might move to wide receiver or cornerback.

KANSAS—Bud Moore faces a giant rebuilding job with the Jayhawks.

The former Alabama aide has installed the wishbone. After spring ball he expressed concern over the lack of running-back depth. Also up in the air was the quarterback situation with veteran Scott McMichael, the No. 2 passer in the league (74-for-56, 1044 yards), in a starting-status struggle with Mike Loyd, Tom Krattli and Scott McCamy.

All-leaguer Laverne Smith, coming off a second-ranking rushing stint in which he averaged 6.7 yards a carry and 107.4 a game, is the top running back. Bill Campfield, who like Smith has 04.4 speed, and fullback Dennis Wright, a newcomer, round out one-half of what Moore recognizes as an adequate number to succeed with the wishbone.

Wide receivers are not in abundance, either, with only Richard McAulliffe a junior college transfer, and trackman Waddell Smith the top hands. Tight end, however, boasts experience in Greg Hosack and Jim Michael.

Tackles Acé Boydston (6-3, 225) and Dave Scott (6-4, 270) and center John Morgan (6-3, 225) are returning starters in an offensive line that shows promise because of its size and quickness and because there is a letterman ready to move in at each vacancy.

Defensively, the secondary will be one of the best in football with all-league safety Kurt Knoff surrounded by returning starters Steve Taylor, Nolan Cromwell and Eddie Lewis.

Don Pile is the only lettering linebacker available, while ends Les Barnes, Rick Kovatch, Mike Butler (6-6, 255), Paul Van Saun, Terry Beeson, Jim Young and Tom Dinkel form a nucleus around which to rebuild the defensive forward wall.

MISSOURI VALLEY

TULSA—Finding something to build on by closing out its title season with seven consecutive victories the Hurricane plans to flaunt its national-ranking offense.

Ten returning starters grace the unit that features quarterback Jeb Blount, the nation's No. 8 passer (1831 yards and 15 touchdowns), who led his charges to a No. 4 ranking in the aerial game. The chief target for the 6-3, 201-pound Blount is Steve Largent, who led the nation with 14 TD grabs while amassing 844 yards. His stardom included a 5-touchdown game that equalled the Tulsa record established by Howard Twilley.

While Largent is complemented by flanker Jessie Green (31 catches, 566 yards) All-Conference tackle Greg Fairchild (6-5, 235) has veteran forward-wall help from returnees Clifford Criddle, Randy Drew, Wes Hamilton, Bernie Head and Ken Steinke.

The Hurricane must strengthen a defensive outfit weakened by the loss of four vets in the line. Ends Raymond Jefferson and David Orr anchor the charge, but interior help is needed. Linebacker Byron Franklin has big-play ability and experience is available in safeties Kevin Black, Anthony Fields and cornerback Buddy Tate.

And to go along with Tulsa's first outright league title since '65, Coach F. A. Dry has something going for him at home—unbeaten since taking over the reins in mid-'72.

LOUISVILLE—Rebuilding is nothing new for Coach Vince Gibson, who says he needs depth to supplement the return of 14 starters to his first Cardinal team.

"I know we have quality," Gibson says, "but we don't have much depth. We believe we had a quality recruiting year so that will help us in the fall. Our youngsters are going to play a lot and have to give us backup help."

Durable Walter Peacock, the third-ranking rusher (827 yards, 237 carries) gives Gibson an experienced tailback. The 5-7, 165-pounder was the Valley's player of the year in '73 when he gained 1294 yards and scored a dozen touchdowns.

The Cards will operate out of the slot-I formation. Jim Wagoner, the starting quarterback last season, will be pressed by John Darling, a transfer from Tampa University, which dropped football.

In all, seven offensive starters are in harness and include tight end Tony Smith, tackle Mike Sheehy, guard Jerry Ward, center Bob Riser, split end Kevin Miller and fullback John O'Connor.

On defense, six vets are available in tackle Tom Abood, end Dan Cain, linebacker Larry Fluellen, and a secondary of Chris Bouchee, Norman Heard, Fred Hackett and Don Pomeroy.

All-leaguer Wilbur Summers returns after averaging 40.8 punting and leading the 'Birds in scoring with 32 points on 14 of 15 conversion kicks and 6-for-14 field-goal attempts.

WEST TEXAS STATE—The Buffaloes of Coach Gene Mayfield came a long way (from 2-9 in '73) with a 6-5 record last season, but how much farther they go

will depend on how well they balance their wish-bone running attack with the established passing of quarterback Tully Blanchard.

The 5-11, 209-pound all-purpose signal caller flipped his aerials for 858 yards and eight touchdowns, but will be without veteran receivers and will need steadier production from running backs Eddie Richardson and Richard Riggins.

The outlook in the offensive line is bright, featuring all-star tackle Jeff Lloyd, who will be joined by battle-wise guards Bob Brown and Jackie White.

Defensively, West Texas State will find it difficult to improve on a unit that prevented the least scoring among Valley teams. Floyd Jones, an all-league tackle, has veteran support from tackle Mike Lusane and John Ayers, linebacker Larry Spears and safeties Mishael Kelson and Mike Lozano.

But the Buffs, who are solid in placekicking with Bruce Wyre, appear wanting for depth in all areas, and are hurting at cornerback.

NEW MEXICO STATE—Besides serving as a tool of frustration, losing three 1974 games in the final 30 seconds has triggered a certain amount of anxiousness for the 1975 season. "This year I think we have the people who can add the difference to make it a really good season," says Coach Jim Bradley. "This could be our year."

Nine of the 16 returning starters streamline the offensive team, headed by quarterback Bill Bower-



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man, who passed for 1007 yards and seven touchdowns. Fullback John Portasik (459 yards) and wide receiver Duriel Harris (701 yards and 7 TDs) return after ranking among M.V.C. leaders in rushing and pass catching, respectively.

But it is what's up front that counts the most for the Aggies with the presence of guards Ralph Jackson (6-0, 240) and Carl Dean (6-5, 242), center Charley Wanza, tackles Andre Anderson and Zack Carter and tight end Ken Perryman, plus tackle Gary Hull (6-4, 250), a former starter who missed the '74 go-round because of injuries.

Seven vets bolster a defensive unit that is strong in linebacking because of Jim Pratt and Tony Middleton. Help is needed up front, where end Larry Williams and Hal Staley will operate. Donnie Ross, Ralph Costanzo and Alan Trotter know the secondary ropes.

DRAKE—After back-to-back losing seasons, Coach Jack Wallace finds reason for optimism because among the 13 returning starters, eight are linemen.

Four of them, Bruce Ritter, Bill Mitz, Leonard Horton and John Herter, sprang the Bulldogs' running game to a school-record 2124 yards last season. With the presence of quarterback Jeff Martin and halfback Jim Herndon (679 yards), it is apparent Drake has the ingredients to move the football. Receivers and kick returners must be found, however.

Martin, recognized as a sound technician, passed for 723 yards and five touchdowns in a part-time role last season. Herndon, who started seven games, scored 10 TDs to rank third in the Valley in points and was the fourth-best rusher.

Enhancing the Bulldog offensive arsenal is placekicker Toddy Gaffney, who doubles as a safetyman. He holds the school mark with 22 field goals in 27 attempts, missing only once in three years from inside the 43-yard line.

On defense, ends Mark Spivey and Jay Snyder and tackles Gary Melchior and Bob Burgess provide a solid, veteran-wise nucleus.

WICHITA STATE—Fourteen junior college transfers are being counted upon to beef up the scrawny Shockers, who can number a dozen returning starters.

If Coach Jim Wright can pinpoint any strengths, they come from three returnees—quarterback Sam Adkins, linebacker Dave Warren and offensive tackle Dick Hedges.

Adkins was the second leading M.V.C. passer in '74 with 123 completions for 1404 yards and five touchdowns. But unless juco receivers produce, Adkins will be without quality targets. Warren, an All-Conference performer, contributed 128 tackles, forcing three fumbles and recovering as many. Hedges (6-3, 220), a senior, heads the offensive line, on which tackle Ted Vincent, center Mike Bales and guard Glen Parter gained starting status a season ago.

While Adkins, now a junior, operated with a freshman-laden backfield last season, there undoubtedly was talent available in Elbert Williams, George Seacrist, Don Klos, Tim King and C. J. Peachlyn.

Wright seemingly has filled the placekicking void with the addition of Kent Van Vleet, a juco transfer. The punting game was already in good shape, riding the league-leading 42.1-yard booting of Dan Vess.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS—Buoyed by the return of 11 running backs, Coach Doug Weaver has switched to the wishbone.

If he can firm up his offensive line and solidify the defense, the Salukis are certain to improve on a punishing 2-9 record of '74.

"One of the reasons we're switching to the wishbone is we have a lot of running backs who have experience," Weaver says.

A spring-ball goal seemingly was fulfilled when Gary Mann, a defensive back a year ago, came to the front as the quarterback. He will operate with a backfield headed by Andre Herrera and Vic Major at the halfbacks. Hugh Fletcher and Lawrence Boyd will share fullback duty. Tackles Mike Thompson and Mark Cunningham and center Matt Bowman are the only returnees from the offensive line.

Defensively, S.I.U. might struggle despite seven starting veterans. Tackle Primus Jones (5-10, 208) and middle guard Dan Brown (6-1, 208) are the leaders of this unit. Jones, who has led the team in tackles two seasons, is the kick-off specialist with end-zone consistency.

In favor of the Salukis will be a 6-game home schedule in their new 19,000-seat stadium.

INDEPENDENTS

NORTH TEXAS STATE—Last season, the Mean Green's swan song in the Missouri Valley Conference, turned out to be a swoon song. Hayden Fry, who gained Coach of the Year honors in '73 when



KEN WASHINGTON, as North Texas State freshman QB, goes for gain in Long Beach State game in season finale.

he guided the young Green to a share of the M.V.C. crown, saw his troops stagger home with a 1-3-2 league slide and a 2-7-2 overall record.

Now out of the Valley, North Texas State appears far from wanting with 15 returning starters, headed by quarterback Ken Washington and nose guard Walter Chapman (5-10, 239).

Washington, as a freshman last season, was the Valley's Newcomer of the Year. He and his brother, Oklahoma's Joe Washington, had the unique distinction of sharing national Player of the Week honors.

The North Texas State Washington (5-11, 165) logged 1042 yards passing—and six touchdowns, while running for another 481 yards and two T.D.s. A right-handed passer, Washington kicks left-footed and specializes in the short punt, toeing up 14 last season with none returned and half of them going out of bounds or downed inside the enemy 10-yard line.

North Texas has the offensive line to spring Washington and his mates, returning all except one veteran. Holding forth up front are Charles Celmons (6-1, 238), Ollie Green (6-1, 231), Jim Yarber (6-5, 226), Howard Moss (6-1, 232), Collin Williams (6-3, 236) and Fred Ende (6-3, 233). In the backfield a replacements must be found at fullback and halfback, where Mack Cumby (290 yards) and Zach Fry lettered last season.

Chapman, an All-Valley choice in '74, will be sur-

rounded by vets Melvin Davis, Mike Dooley, Garry King and Charles Smith on the 5-man defensive front. The linebacking crew has savvy and the secondary is intact with Beasley Reece, Andy Broome, Bobby Owen and Gary Easley.

NORTH DAKOTA—Coming off a league-record 2240 yards rushing in seven games, the Sioux possess nine starters from their offensive unit, including all-star running backs Bill Deutsch and Dale Kosowski and quarterback Brian Grover.

SOUTH DAKOTA—Bernard (Beanie) Cooper steps in as the new head coach, replacing Joe Salem (now at Northern Arizona), and inherits 18 starters from a wishbone-wise team. Triple-threat quarterback Mark Jenkins has veteran company in runners Fred Rose, David Aldridge and Winston McKenzie.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE—The Bison find themselves in a strange situation because they must rebuild a defense, something unusual for the perennial stubborn outfit. If the offense is going to pick up the slack, transfer Randy Thiele must come through at quarterback.

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE—The Jackrabbits face a rebuilding job in the line to spring an offense that possesses stability in quarterback Bill Mast, halfback Jim Kramer and slotback Dick Weikert.

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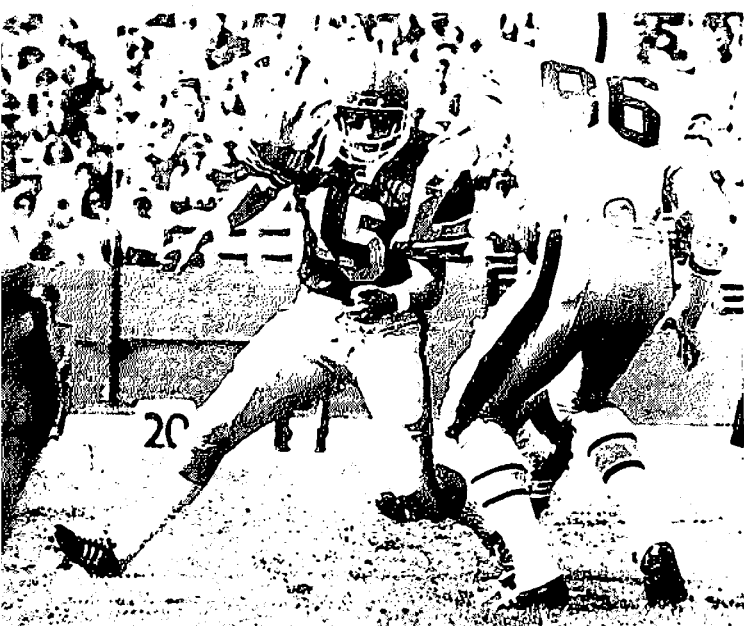
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JOHN MCKAY, Southern Cal's coach, eyes fifth national championship in '75.

SHELTON DIGGS, USC junior flanker, made game-winning catch in Rose Bowl.



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A talented young writer for the Los Angeles Times, Dwight Chapin casts an expert eye on the football outlook in various Far West conferences; 10 independents.

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IS GEARED TO GUN DOWN ALL FOES IN ITS PATH

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It was probably a minor miracle, at least.

USC was seven points down in the Rose Bowl with two minutes to play. And not just to ANY team. To Woody Hayes and the Buckeyes of Ohio State. It looked, well, sort of impossible.

Then chip, chip, chip, chip. The Trojans' second-string halfback, Allen Carter, playing because star Anthony Davis was hurt, wriggled for 30 yards in six carries; unheralded fullback Dave Farmer got another 9 on a key burst.

And finally, bang!

It was first down at the Ohio State 38. Trojan Pat Haden retreated to pass. He waited and waited, until his former high school buddy from Bishop Amat, Johnny McKay—the son of the Trojan coach—started to get clear behind the Buckeyes' Steve

Luke, in the right corner of the end zone. And then he threw, a high, arching pass that was just like all those others Pat Haden had thrown to Johnny McKay in all those other games on all those other playgrounds over the years.

Touchdown!

"It was a simple corner pattern," said Haden, the newly-named Rhodes scholar. "At last count, I'd thrown it to John one million, two-hundred-and-thirty-seventh thousand times."

But wait a minute! USC was still behind, 17-16. And then there came the gambling coach, John McKay, going for two points. This time Haden passed to Shelton Diggs, who went deep into the end zone and then made the catch coming back—on his knees.

"No, I never even thought about not going for two points," the senior McKay said later. "We always play it that way. Always have, always will. The way Ohio State moves the ball, we figured we wouldn't have time to get it again. We HAD to go for two."

Sure. Probably. But John McKay and USC have been doing things like that for years. For example, how about Jimmy Jones' touchdown pass to Sam Dickerson in the deepest corner of the end zone in 1969, a play that beat UCLA, 14-12, and sent the Trojans to yet another Rose Bowl?

Anybody who saw the tears and the dejection in the UCLA locker room that day will never forget it.

The point is, there are rarely tears and dejection in the USC locker room. It's usually the euphoria of a last-second win over UCLA or Ohio State, or perhaps an incredible, death-defying comeback like the one against Notre Dame last year.

McKay, now the dean of Pacific 8 coaches after Jim Owens' retirement, has turned the conference into a private preserve, a shooting gallery where he seems to have the only gun with bullets.

Don't expect much of a difference this year. The Trojans lost a whole bunch of all-world people but they have more, waiting just offstage.

And although UCLA and Stanford and California, particularly, recruited well, and Don James at Washington seems a decent guy with a decent chance to turn the Huskies back into a consistent winner, it's unlikely anybody is going to knock the white-haired Trojan coach off a throne that just gets taller and taller.

"Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs," Washington State's Jim Sweeney has called it.

It seems appropriate. A lot of the other things John McKay has produced in his 15 years at USC are straight out of Walt Disney, too.

The southern schools—Stanford, UCLA and Cal—again appear to be stacked behind the Trojans, in just about any order, with Washington the only Northwest school given much chance of making any noise.

In the PCAA, it's perennial power San Diego State perhaps down a little and getting a fight from fast-improving Long Beach State.

Nevada Las Vegas had a big year and should head the independents, along with Hawaii. UC Riverside and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo are likely to vie in the CCAA, with Redlands and Whittier fighting it out, as usual, in the SCIAC and UC Davis figured to win the Far Western.

PACIFIC 8

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA—The Trojan spring brochure had a picture of coach John McKay, squinting and looking heavenward as if making a plea for help. Any other coach might have if he'd lost 21 lettermen—including 14 pro draftees—off a national championship team. But McKay, who has only eight starters back, says the picture is misleading. "Don't worry about the Trojans," he said. "We'll survive in Seventy-Five."

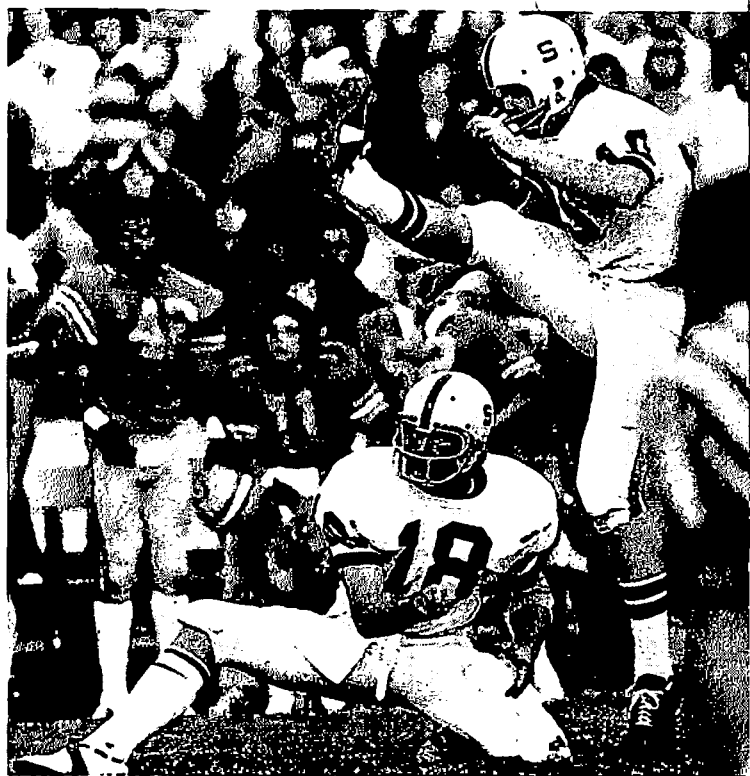
They probably will, and win the Pacific 8 Championship again, at least.

McKay lost quarterback Pat Haden and his favorite target, Johnny McKay, as well as tailback Anthony Davis, the Heisman Trophy runnerup; All-America defensive back Charles Phillips; three-time All-America linebacker Richard Wood; All-America guard Bill Bain; and school field goal record holder Chris Limahelu, among others. But, as usual, the Trojans have a lot of talent back and had an exceptional recruiting year.

Junior Vince Evans (6-2, 215) is a tremendous running threat and he and backup Rob Hertel are apparently good rollout passers, too. Sophomore tailback Dwight Ford is a 9.7 sprinter but may be pressed by transfer Lynn Cain (6-1, 207), redshirt Ron Jamerson or touted Texas freshman Paul Rice (1057 yards on ground last season). Fullback is loaded, with three veterans, Dave Farmer (271 yards); Ricky Bell (299) and Mosi Tatupu all back.

The receiving spots are less sure. Junior flanker Shelton Diggs, whose diving two-point catch beat Ohio State in the Rose Bowl, is a sure starter. Freshman Michael Hayes and Carter Hartwig back him. Split end will be contested among senior letterman Junior Lee, sophomore Randy Simmrin and JC transfer Phil Pugh. Junior Mike Howell (6-6, 215) could replace Jim Obradovich at tight end but transfer Jim Galbraith (6-3, 220) is a strong contender.

Two starters—tackle Marvin Powell (6-5, 256) and guard Joe Davis (244)—return in the interior line and Powell, a junior, is already making people think of former Outland Trophy winner Ron Yary. Non-



MIKE LANGFORD, Stanford placekicker, hit two 50-yards last year, including this one which nipped Cal.

letterman Jeff Flood (240) is the only returnee at center but Mike Cordell (232), a 1973 starter at guard, will be tried there. Other line candidates are tackles Melvin Jackson (253); Otis Page (255) and Ray Peters (235) and guards Donnie Hickman (269) and Greg Beard (240), all veterans, and JC transfers Bruce Brooks (255), Ken Evans (255) and Rick Miller (280), an honorable mention All America.

McKay must rebuild a defense that allowed just 11.8 points a game, recovered 20 fumbles and had 29 interceptions.

There are four excellent men to build on, starting with tackle Gary Jeter (6-3, 237), whom McKay calls a "cinch All-America"; inside linebacker Kevin Bruce (who led the team in tackles and recovered five fumbles); and defensive backs Danny Reece (187) and Ron Bush (173).

Contending up front will be sophomores Vinny Van Dyke (225) and Ray Peters (235), who's also listed on offense; senior letterman Tim Rhames (236); senior Larry Nunnally (253); sophomore Harold Steele (250), transfer Ed Catoe (240), and big freshman Richard Dimler (260) and Pat Howell (250). The Trojans were stunned in the spring when George Stewart, a probable starter at tackle, collapsed and died after a workout.

Bruce will have lots of help at linebacker from two excellent sophomores—Mario Celotto (230) outside and Clay Matthews (220) inside—plus Dale Logie (220); Eric Williams (220); Jeff Wakefield (215); Grant Gelker (225); David Lewis (224); Rod Martin (195); Steve Kenlon (195) and transfer Mike Burris (230).



TOM TIPTON, 6-3, 203-pound guard, is key returning starter for Stanford's powerful offensive line this year.

Senior letterman Ted Roberson (183) and sophomore Ricky Odom (180) should back Reece—who has 14 interceptions in two seasons—and Bush at the corners. Senior letterman Doug Hogan (206); junior Mike Burns (178) and senior Jim Lucas (200) are veteran candidates at roverback and Dennis Thurman (170), who may also play flanker; and transfers Clint Strozier (195) and Gabriel Hearne (185) probably will vie at safety.

Lucas, who averaged 38 yards on 43 kicks, returns as the punter, with Glen Walker, an honorable mention All America, the most likely man to succeed Limahelu—and perhaps give Lucas a fight, too. Challenging will be freshman Art Sorce, who had a 52-yard field goal in high school.

"We'll be a solid team," said McKay, "with a chance to become a very good team. We should mature tremendously as the season goes on."

So what else is new?

STANFORD—Jack Christiansen played musical chairs at quarterback last season, much to the chagrin of many Cardinal alumni, yet still was 5-1-1 and second in the conference (Although only 5-4-2 overall.) He used three sophomore quarterbacks—Mike Cordova, Guy Benjamin and Jerry Waldvogel—and all are back. He says he'll pick one by opening game this fall, however. Benjamin, a 65% passer, was the spark late in the 1974 season.

Whichever man Christiansen chooses, he'll be

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ROBIN EARL, Washington's 250-pound junior fullback, is the man to stop after averaging 5.6 yards last season.

throwing to a strong set of receivers, including Tony Hill (34 catches for 542 yards), Bill Singler (15 for 249) and tight end Ted Pappas (14 for 159). There's a massive new target in 6-8, 240-pound sophomore tight end Mark Hoaglin.

The loss of running back Scott Laidlaw will hurt a bit but the Cardinals still have Ron Inge (355 yards rushing despite an injured shoulder), and Sig Ostrom, plus fullbacks Dave Tenn and Don Stevenson.

The offensive line looks quite capable, with two starting guards—Tom Tipton (230) and Alex Karakozoff (220)—and Al Ten-Bruggencate (250), a part-time starter at tackle, to build on. Two-time letterman Todd Anderson (240) may replace Rudy Berghold at center with sophomore Gordon King (230) the likely replacement for All-Coast tackle Keith Rowen. Other possibilities are guards Gary Anderson (230) and Jim Smythe (230) and center Mark Hill (240).

Most of Stanford's early problems appear to be on defense where eight starters depart, including All-America end Pat Donovan; 1973 All-America end Roger Stillwell; and three All-Coast choices—linebacker Gordon Riegel, nose guard Drew Palin and safety Doc Blanchard.

There are three fine veterans back in defensive end Duncan McColl (6-4, 230), son of two-time Stanford All-America Dr. Bill McColl; outside linebacker Geb Church (200) and junior cornerback Paul Skrabo (170), who intercepted four passes.

Joining McColl up front will be lettermen Andy Kolesnikow (235), Geoff Kieburz (230) and Tom Ryska (230) at ends; JC transfers John Harris (235) and Steve Howe (235) and veteran Art Estrada (245) at nose guard.

Linebackers John Snider and Forrie Martin are gone, along with Riegel, but Church was in on 99

CHRIS ROWLAND, sidelined late last season with foot injury, hopes to regain Washington quarterback job.



tackles last season. Top candidates inside include Dan Francis (225) and John Olenchak (230), both veterans, and sophomores Dan McCann (220) and Ray Cardinalli (215). Letterman Rich Merlo (210) is the leading candidate for the other outside spot but could be pressed by a couple of transfers, Mike Wilkinson (222) and Jeff Barton (205).

In the secondary, junior Rich Waters (185) and senior Gerald Wilson (190) both were part-time starters at cornerback, while Jeff Siemens (195) and Larry McGovern (185) split time at safety. Lettermen Tom Lynn (200) and sophomore Ralph Phillips (195) seem in the picture, too.

An outstanding field goal kicker, Mike Langford (15 of 26, including two 50-yarders), returns, as does punter Lynn, and both will be helped by transfer Mike Michel, who punted for a 42-yard average in JCs compared to Lynn's 36.5 for the Cardinal varsity.

"We think we'll have a good, solid offense," said Christiansen. "And we have a lot of people with size and ability—if not experience—back on defense."

The Cards should be 1-2-3 in any case. With consistent, year-long quarterback play and a quick-jelling defense, they could be excellent . . . although they have to play Penn State and Michigan within a week early in the season on the road.

UCLA—Considering he was running General Hospital as often as he was a football team, Dick Vermeil did a good job in his first season as Bruin coach, finishing 6-3-2. Nineteen players missed a game or more because of injury—and most of the injuries were major ones to stars like quarterback John Sciarra, who broke his leg.

As Sciarra and that leg go, however, so will the Bruins this season. He isn't a picture-book passer but he's an effective one and his multiple skills as a veer-T quarterback make him a definite Heisman Trophy contender. He has an extremely capable backup man in 205-pound Jeff Dankworth (who may be employed as a running back, too) and there are 34 lettermen returning. But there also are a host of questions, particularly on defense, where outside linebacker Dale Curry (a quick 216-pounder) is the only returning full-time starter. He was in on a team-leading 94 tackles.

The offense, for the most part, looks sound. Returnees Wendell Tyler (184), who has great if yet undeveloped skill, and Eddie Ayers (185) are back at running back, sure-handed Norm Andersen (167) and quick Wally Henry return at wide receivers and backup man Raymond Burks (205) at tight end, although he may move to linebacker. Vermeil didn't get the top JC running back he wanted but did land prep stars Ernie Saenz and Myron White, who was sought by USC, and has two other good veterans in Carl Zaby (192) and Jim Brown (207).

Jack DeMartinis (273) and Bob Reyes (252), both of whom played a lot because of injuries, may be the starting tackles, with newcomers Greg Taylor (230) and Keith Eck (231) at guards and Randy Cross (246), a starting guard last year, at center. But Vermeil recruited several outstanding JC line-



JOHN SCIARRA played in only seven games last year as UCLA quarterback but totaled 1235 yards, 4 touchdowns.

DALE CURRY, UCLA outside linebacker, gained credit for 94 tackles and three fumble recoveries last season.



men, including Rob Kezirian (245), Bryce Adkins (235) and Rick Cook (245), and any could start.

Defensively, the Bruins will build around Curry, tackles Cliff Frazier (254), a disappointment after being hurt last year; Bob Crawford (226) and Tim Tennigkeit (245), and inside linebacker Terry Tautolo (224), who didn't play much in 1974. Possible help could come from freshman Bruce and Ronnie Davis of Indian Head, Md., highly-recruited linemen who already have pro size, or transfers Tim Drew (260) or Herman Benson (240).

Returnees Bill Baggott (228), Willie Beamon (220), and newcomers Raymond Bell (215) and Frank Stephens (190) will get long looks at linebacker but may be displaced by JC All-Americans Kelly Stroich (215) and Dave Morton (230), service veteran Guy Langston (220) or freshmen Manu Tuiasosopo and Brad Vassar, "the best two preps at their position in the state," according to Vermeil.

Defensive back could be a problem because John Nanoski, Phil Kimble, Kent Pearce and Greg Williams are all gone, but Matt Fahl (195) played quite a bit before hurting a knee—and Barney Person (181), Harold Hardin (173), Dave Cargo (180) and Jeff Smith (180) all have some experience. The Bruins lost a secondary man they wanted—transfer Clint Strozier.

The losses overall were considerable. Nearly all

the "Huge Corporation," a superior offensive line; crack defenders such as Fulton Kuykendall, Mike Martinez, Greg Norfleet and Herschel Ramsey.

But much of the punch—including a placekicker, Brett White, and a punter, John Sullivan, who should improve—is back, too.

It's possible only USC had a better recruiting year in the conference. But Vermeil has got to find a defense in a hurry if the Bruins are to beat the Trojans for the first time since 1966. If he can, he should contend. If he can't, third place seems a more realistic goal.

CALIFORNIA—Mike White must replace the most imposing figure (in a number of ways) in the conference—6-4, 215-pound quarterback Steve Bartkowski, who not only threw for 2580 yards and was a consensus All-America, but the No. 1 choice in the pro draft, too.

White's looking at four men—Mark Cahill (185), a backup senior; redshirt Fred Besana (6-4, 190); sophomore Mike Williams (185) and JC All-America Joe Roth (6-4, 205), who with experience could prove to be the best of the lot. Whoever the man is, he'll have an excellent set of receivers to work with, including All-America candidate Steve Rivera (180), who caught 52 passes for 938 yards, the top figure in the nation last season; quick Wesley Walker and tight end George Freitas (6-3, 210). Walker, a 9.5 sprinter, averaged more than 27 yards a catch.

There's a running back of proven excellence, too, senior Chuck Muncie (6-3, 220), who's just 421 yards away from Johnny Olzewski's school all-purpose running record. A man who both can move and has moves, Muncie made three All-America teams last year. Redshirt Tom Dixon (200) and JC All-America Ton Newton (210) are bidding for the other running back spot, left vacant by Howard Strickland and Mark Bailey.

Starters Ted Albrecht (240) and Joe De Rosa (225), return at the tackles aided by Dave LeBeouf (235), redshirt Leo Biedermann (250) and Duke Leffler (240), while centers Whit Everett (220) and Jack Harrison (230), who split time at center, return, too, although Harrison may be tried at tight end. JC All America Duane Williams (240) thus could get a shot at center. All-America guard Chris Mackie and starter John Culpepper both are gone, so White is looking for replacements among lettermen Pat Micco (225) and Greg Collins (225) and JC transfers Ned Vessey (240) and Al Toeaina (250).

The Bears' outstanding lineman—Paul Von der Mehden (6-1, 240) returns to bulwark the 3-4-4 defense. Flanking him, at middle guard, should be starters Chuck Hextrum (6-5, 230) at one tackle and either letterman Greg Peters (240), redshirts Sam Best (220), and Del Benselmeier (235), transfer Otis Brown (260) or transfer Ed Pearson (255) at the other. Toeaina could be moved over from offense, too, if necessary.

There are four veteran linebackers returning—Bob Smith (190), Kim Staskus (220), Phil Heck (230) and Rick Bauley (225)—but they could be

pressed by a talented JC crop that includes James Reed (220), Jeff Barnes (190). Bob Warner (225) and Pete Sitta (230).

The secondary is also experienced, led by senior Herman Edwards (190), who tied the Pacific 8 interception record with six; starters Harold Fike (180) and Dwayne O'Steen (185); lettermen Jack Holeman (175), Steve Gritsch (180) and Ben Par-tee (185). They'll be joined by transfers Steve Maehl (190) and Larry Grady (180).

Punters Don Miller (38.7 average per game) and Greg Cummins (35.1), who split time, figure to improve and freshman James Breech hit 7 of 11 field goals after taking over in mid-season in 1974.

The Bears were the best total offensive team in the Pac-8 last season but most of that was because of Bartkowski. Can he be replaced? Defensively, Cal is like many other league schools. Searching. It was seventh last season but White predicts improvement. "We should be a respectable unit," he says.

WASHINGTON—New coach Don James might be sitting in a pretty good spot after replacing Jim Owens, the dean of the Pacific 8. But the schedule makers have thrown him a spitball. The Huskies have to meet Arizona State, Texas and Alabama before getting down to league business. They figure to be the class of the Northwest Pac-8 teams in any event. But that rough early going may keep them from contending.

James will be bringing in an I formation offense and a "50" defense from Kent State, where he was 25-18-1 in four seasons. It would help if he had an O. J. Simpson or an Anthony Davis as the lead back of the I but the Husky offense looks pretty impressive, anyway.

Quarterback Chris Rowland threw for 848 yards despite missing the last four games of 1974 because of a broken foot. Both Cliff Bride and Bob Kettles have the talent to challenge him for a starting spot.

Fullback is manned by a monster, robust Robin Earl, a 250-pounder who switched from tight end after four games and averaged 5.6 yards a carry—often running over people—the rest of the way. Veterans Mike Vicino (212) and Wayne Moses (176) will get the first looks at tailback but they could be ousted by senior James Anderson (187), who has played before at quarterback and wide receiver.

Junior Scott Phillips led the team in receiving last season (34 catches for a 21-yard average, second best in the Pacific 8), and will get help from redshirt Tony Cuesta (185) and transfer Craig Davillier (180). Mark Kreutz (186) will move from defensive back to flanker to join Lionel Perry (191) and Delwin Brown (175), and Paul Bianchini (214) could be an outstanding tight end.

Senior center Ray Pinney (6-4½, 235) anchors a defensive line that also should include veteran guards Charles Jackson (230) and Lou Quinn (221), both 1974 starters; and tackles Eddie Ray (236), Carl VanValkenberg (238) and Don Wardlow (234), who alternated as starters. John Whitacre (6-5, 245) will be back at tackle, too, after a foot injury.

The top men back up front defensively are senior

Mike Green (235), whom James will use at nose guard; tackles DePorres Washington (6-6½, 254) and Bob Graves (231), with three tested veterans—Dan Lloyd (222), Paul Strohmeier (236) and Dean Schlamp (205)—at linebackers.

The Huskies look strong at all four secondary spots, with Pedro Hawkins (181) and Roberto Jourdan (189) at left corner; Frank Reed (194) at right corner; Steve Lipe (194) and Ron Olson (190) at strong safety and Al Burleson (180) at weak safety. All have proven talent and Hawkins also led the Pacific 8 in punt returns last season (8.5 yard average per return).

Sophomore Steve Robbins, who hit 29 of 30 extra points and 7 of 16 field goals, returns, and punting duties should fall to a JC transfer, Don Feleay.

There are a few major losses—defensive tackle David Pear, middle linebacker Cornelius Chenevert, quarterback Dennis Fitzpatrick and punter Skip Boyd (42.2 yards average) among them.

But James will be working with 34 lettermen, including a highly solid nucleus of 18 lettermen.

There are three major imponderables. How well and how quickly will the Huskies adjust to their new coach and new system? Can they find the proper tailback to put fuel in the I offense? And will that Arizona State, Texas, Alabama run prove helpful or fatal?

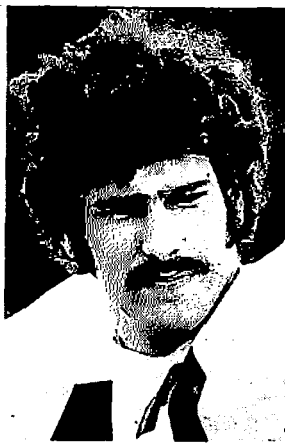
It's possible Washington won't match its 5-6 record of last season. But it almost certainly will be a better team.

OREGON STATE—The cries for Dee Andros' considerable hide have grown larger as his records have continued medlocre the last few seasons in Corvallis. But Andros has saved his job—probably because in 10 years, he's never lost to in-state rival Oregon.

The Great Pumpkin was 3-8 last season, and thumped by Ohio State, USC, UCLA and Georgia. But the Beavers lost by just three points to California, four to Stanford and beat Washington and Washington State. In fact, five of the eight losses were by eight points or less.

Andros loses most of the punch from the prototype, pass-oriented offense he went to three years ago—junking his old staple, the power-T. That includes, foremost, quarterback Alvin White, an erratic passer but one who threw for 1662 yards last season. Backup Steve Gervais passed only 23 times, completing 13 for 99 yards, and he'll be challenged strongly for White's position by redshirt Kyle Grosart and sophomores Jeff Kynaston and Jeff Hammermeister. Leading rushers Elvin Momon (479 yards) and Dick Mauer (343) are gone, too, but running back could be improved because of Ron Cuie, a transfer who played behind Woody Green at Arizona State, and transfer Johnny Taylor of Moorpark (Calif.) JC. Fullback Charlie Smith and some good moments, too, before hurting a leg against UCLA. He finished with 324 yards for the season.

There are two excellent receivers in tight end Dave Brown (26 catches for 383) and flanker Lee Overton (19 for 356), who also returns punts. Grant Boustead caught 16 for 298.



BOB HORN, 6-4, 230, Oregon State linebacker, bids for All-America selection.



DAVE BROWN, Oregon State tight end, caught 26 passes in 1974 season.

So this is the overall situation: 21 lettermen lost, including many key ones, off the Pacific 8's hard-luck team. Several regulars back in the 37 lettermen, plus 21 freshmen reported to be one of the best crops the Beavers have attracted in some time.

But it probably will take them a year, at least, to mature, and there doesn't appear to be any quarterback in White's class. Prognosis: probably another cold winter in the Pumpkin's patch.

Outstanding center Greg Krpalek and tackle Jeff Hart will be missed in the offensive line but guards Mike Kobielsky (240), and Jim Walker (230) are back. Vying at offensive tackle are Tony Koontz (240), Ken Maurer (230), Dan Wood (235) and Jeff Worth (230). Wally Remmers (205) and Larry Winkler (221) lettered at offensive guard; Tony Banaszak (210) and Dan Welsh (222) have some experience at center.

The major defensive strength appears to be at linebacker where All-Coast selection Bob Horn (230) is an All-America candidate. He's supported by three returning starters—Gene Dales (198), Bob Nairne (220) and Clarence Smithey (206). Up front there are three starters returning—ends Fred Anderson (230), and Dennis Boyd (233) and tackle Casey Keller (230) but missing is star tackle Jerry Hackenbruck. Other prospects are end Jeff Graham (220); tackle Randy Rosa (212) and guard John Cantlon (220).

Andros needs help in the secondary because he lost three starters—Kirk Byers, Dennis Downey and Dan Sanders. Downey was the team's fifth leading tackler. Back are starter Dick Sheehy (185) and backups Jay Locey (182), Jim Lyman and Oscar Williams (185) but Andros concentrated on defensive backs (and running backs) in getting 13 junior college transfers.

Both kickers, placement man Rick Kulaas (6 of 12 field goals; 24 of 24 PATs) and punter Bob McKenzie, completed their eligibility, too, as did kick-off return specialist Ray Taroli.

WASHINGTON STATE—What's this? Jim Sweeney, the world's No. 1 optimist, going conservative? Well he was during spring practice, at least, making no lavish claims about his talent, saying, "Our goal is just to become a sound football team." Maybe it's that a season that included just two wins in 11 games is enough to wipe the smile even off Sweeney's Irish face.

Plus the fact that All-America center Geoff Reece; three-year-all-Pacific 8 guard Steve Ostermann; linebacker Gary Larsen; strong safety Michael Carter and running back Andrew Jones all are gone.

Like UCLA, the Cougars were decimated by injury last year, losing 10 players at one point or another for the rest of the season—and losing four games by a touchdown or less.

Sweeney wants improvement in both those areas and he'll be working with 44 lettermen, including 10 men on offense and nine on defense who started at least three games. Some major questions: depth in the offensive line; a solid No. 1 quarterback (which troubled WSU all last season); and an improved passing game.

Tall senior Wally Bennett (6-5½, 211) and junior John Hopkins, both of whom started several games, will be vying with transfer Chuck Lyon and sophomores Jack Thompson and Dan Doornink at quarterback. They will be throwing to tight end Carl Barschig (fifth leading receiver in the conference with 32 catches for 423 yards); and wide receivers Ray Kimble (179), Mark Maenhout (184) and Dennis Pearson (180). The fullback should be Vern Chamberlain, who replaced Jones when he separated a shoulder, or Vaughn Williams, but one could be moved out by transfer Kesel Thompson of Pasadena (Calif.) CC. Top tailbacks are lettermen Charles Anderson and Doornink, if he doesn't work out at quarterback.



MARK HUSFLOEN, 240-pounder, is one of four returning down linemen in Washington State's new defensive setup.

The Cougars think tackles Robin Ross (6-5, 239) and Dan Smith (6-4, 265) are excellent performers and returnees Jon DesPois (218) and Mark Young (270) are at guards. Best bets to replace Reece at center: converted tackle Steve Fisher (6-4½, 236) or Dave Tobin (225). Both are sophomores.

Like many coaches, Sweeney's altering his defense from a basic 4-3 to a 5-2 "because we have to defense so many option teams. It will also give us a chance to utilize some of our speed at outside linebacker."

There are four returning starters at down linemen—Mark Husfloen (240), Bill Patterson (228), Tim Ochs (238) and Dennis Dobberpuhl (227). Also back are Dean Pedigo (213) and Scott Mullinex (205), who shared the middle linebacker position, and strongside linebacker Don Hover (218).

In the secondary, the Cougars can call on Robert Crow, Tony Heath and Andre Stuckey, all of whom started at corner-back last year, as did safetyman Rufus Cunningham. Both Crow and Cunningham, however, are coming off knee injuries.

Outstanding placekicker Joe Danelo has graduated but transfer Chuck Diedrick should be a good replacement and the punter is again Gavin Hedrick, second in the conference and 15th in the nation as a freshman, with a 41.1-yard-per-kick average.

The Cougars' schedule isn't as brutal in the early season as it has been in recent years and that—certainly—should help the Cougars' injury situation. But Sweeney is making no excuses for a 2-9 season ... and is concerned.

"The only assumption we can make is that we've got to correct a lot of things," he said. "There was not one area last year which was consistently a plus. We played good enough to barely get beat but we didn't do one thing well in every game."

OREGON—"Better" says coach Don Read of his 1975 Ducks, and the word almost has to be right because the team could scarcely be worse than last year when it finished 2-9 and gave up 66 points to Washington, 61 to Nebraska, 40 to California. But how much better can a team be that has to open against Oklahoma in Norman?

Offensively, the Ducks have lost their top quarterback, Norval Turner; their two leading rushers, Don Reynolds (818 yards) and Rick Kane; their leading receiver and punter, Bob Palm. Defensively, star end George Martin and defensive back Steve Donnelly have departed. But the Ducks who lost their last eight straight, should be better defensively than offensively.

The new quarterback probably will be a Cal transfer, Phil Brus, a junior who sat out last season. As a Bear freshman in 1973, he threw for 739 yards and hit 68.1 per cent of his passes. Redshirt Jerry Jurich and sophomore Jack Henderson will offer competition. Their major targets: a pair of small men, 5-11, 173-pound Wayne Johnson (15 catches for 244 yards) and 5-9, 168-pound Greg Bauer (15 for 248).

There's an eight-man scramble for the two running back spots, with returnees Teddy Farmer (175) and George Bennett (218) and freshmen



RON HUNT, a behemoth at 6-6, 272, is among the key returning veterans on Oregon's powerful offensive line.



MARIO CLARK, Oregon cornerback, figured in 43 tackles and made three interceptions during standout '74 season.

Joey Pitalo (190), Lavoy Wilkerson (180) and John York (195) the frontrunners.

The offensive line should be stronger, thanks to key veterans Ron Hunt (6-6, 272) at tackle and Carl Nickerson (6-4, 223) at center. Then there are veterans Ken Bondelie (240), Les Duman (235), Chris Haake (226), and Chuck Thomas (224) and a pair of massive transfers, Raul Martinez (6-3, 275) and John Rosette (6-6, 265).

There are sometimes or regular starters available at all 11 defensive positions, headed by cornerback Mario Clark (184), a bona fide All America candidate; tackle Greg Gibson (234); strong-side linebacker Darrell Mehl (224) and middle linebacker Tom Yaru (235).

Veterans Don Johnson (219), Tim Leighton (244), Joe McEnroe (207), Dave Morgan (222) and Tim McJunkin (205) are available in the defensive line, and will be joined by transfers Chuck Hickey, Bill Jones, Brent Lemons and Steve Peterson.

Mehl and Yaru will get aid from Mark Cramer, Bobby Green (220), Hank Love (218), Gunnar Scholar (215) and freshman Scott Hume.

There isn't much real experience with Clark in the secondary. Contenders to start include Mike Chriss (190), Brian Rekofke (190), Jo Jo White (182) and Chuck Wills (196)—all returnees.

Senior quarterback John Nehl may take over the punting for Palm, with Stan Woodfill (11 of 11 extra points, 9 of 19 field goals) back as the placekicker.

Read, in his second season, has 36 lettermen, 12 junior college transfers and another dozen freshmen to run his Veer offense and 4-3 defense.

"We could well be a no-name team," he said. "The standouts, the stars . . . you may not be able to find them. But we see this as a bunch of guys who will get better. We'll still be a junior-dominated team but we'll have more leadership."

With a schedule that includes USC, UCLA, Stanford and Minnesota in addition to Oklahoma, more bodies would seem the primary need.

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SAN DIEGO STATE—The Aztecs should again be the best team in their league but the gap is closing. For one thing, the Aztecs don't have that friendly at-home schedule this year (five games are on the road, one against Oregon State of the Pacific 8). And Claude Gilbert returns only three defensive starters from an 8-2-1 team.

But 15 of the top 22 offensive players are back, including 6-3, 200-pound quarterback Craig Penrose, who was seventh in the nation in passing last year (132 completions, 1683 yards) despite missing three games with injuries, and running back Monty Reedy (616 yards). Fullback Bill Fudge, a transfer from USC, probably will join Reedy but there is much inexperience at receiver, where returnees Mel Jacobs and Terry White caught only five passes between them. JC transfers Tony Jackson and Ralph Reagan could blossom, however, and new tight end Bill Helms (6-6, 235) could be an All-Star.

The offensive line returns Charlie Wortiska (237), Alex Cota (6-5, 280) and Bob Johnson (226).

Defensively, the only starters back are end Mike Gilbert (6-2, 252, first-team All-PCAA); linebacker Travis Hitt (211) and back Ed Kertel (194) . . . so, as usual, JC transfers will play a vital role. There are several good ones, including linebackers Ray Williams, a JC All-America, and Paul Charlton, and backs Ken Hinton and Bobby Cox. Kicker Steve LaPlant should be an important addition, too.

The biggest questions seem to be at receiver and in the defensive front, where Dana White and Greg Boyd are the only experienced men back along with Gilbert. The Aztecs could average more points than their 26.5 per game last season, however, because Penrose is a proven leader now and Fudge has enormous potential.

LONG BEACH STATE—"We're back," the 49er coaches are saying. "A dynasty has begun." A little too strong, perhaps, coming off a 6-5 season but

Wayne Howard has done some remarkable things in the Queen Mary city, taking the team from a 1-9-1 record in 1973.

Howard will add 18 transfers to his 30 lettermen, including tight ends Leanell Jones (19 catches, 338 yards) and Russ Bolinger, a 6-4, 250-pounder who may be moved to tackle; split end Stanford Brewer (15 catches, 371 yards), center Jose Klein (220) guard Tony Shipp (225) and halfback Herb Lusk (546 yards) on offense; end Gary Balch (225), tackle Fred Bryant (6-4, 245), middle guard Jeff Lyall (215), linebacker Fred Castro (210) and cornerback Ben Randolph (170) on defense.

There will be two JC All Americas added to the defense—tackle Rich Valenzuela (6-2, 240) and linebacker Sam Tagaloa (215).

Howard's major question marks are in both backfields. Offensively, he lost quarterback Bob Dulich (nearly 2000 yards in total offense) and fullback Tommy Nathan (687 yards). Newcomers Joe Pao-pao (6-2, 200) and Johnny Washington (927 yards at Riverside CC) will bid to fill those spots.

Greg Bailey and Louis Lauriano are gone in the secondary, so Howard will look to transfer Mark Pap (195), part-time starter Jeff Jones and 1974 linebacker Greg Barnes (200) to help Randolph. Howard has some concern about his kicking game, too, but still is talking about eight or nine wins. It looks possible.

SAN JOSE STATE—Darryl Rogers' Spartans should be another of the strong PCAA contenders, despite some big holes in the defense—notably pro picks Louie Wright, a cornerback, end Dave Wasick and free safety Clay Jackson—and at quarterback. It may be hard, then, to match 1974's 8-3-1 mark—best at the school 25 years—but Rogers has a reputation for getting a lot out of his material.

He has 44 returnees and 8 transfers with whom to work. Offensively, two potent weapons—quarterback Craig Kimball and wide receiver Ike McBee—have departed. Little-used veteran Roger Profitt (6-3, 180) could be the new quarterback but he'll be tested by redshirts Blair Thomas and Steve DeBerg and transfer Jim LeJay. Top rushers Walt Robinson (617 yards), Steve Bruce (473) and Marv Stewart (370) all are back, along with offensive tackles John Blain (6-5, 240) and Ron Collins (6-3, 235) and guard Ed Fink (6-3, 230).

Rogers calls tackle Wilson Faumina (6-5, 275) "the best defensive lineman in the country" and is also high on middle linebacker Carl Ekern (215) and Kim Bokamper, who probably will switch from end to linebacker. Transfer Lou Rodriguez will take over at placekicker for Ron Ploger.

The Spartans lost the six top players from the right side of their line, plus Kimball and McGee so should be weaker—but still in the race.

U. of PACIFIC—Chester Caddas says it's getting tougher to keep winning every year. The figures bear him out. His Tigers were 8-3 in 1972; 7-2-1 in 1974; 6-5 last year. But the three back-to-back winning seasons were the most in Stockton since the late 1950s and despite the largest rebuilding job in

Caddas' tenure, the Tigers should be in the PCAA scramble, too.

Eight offensive starters are gone, including All-America tailback Willard Harrell. Only three defensive starters have departed but that's deceiving since most of the returnees were just fill-ins. Injuries cut the Tiger defensive corps to 19 healthy bodies at the end of the season . . . and the unit needs help from several JC newcomers such as linemen Jim Whitehead (215) and Jeff Peralta (205) and linebackers Louis Tuitama (225), Steve Heinrich (200), John Strait (214) and John Peacock (210). Tackles Pat Tittle (225) and Chuck Orrison (210), end Mark Cook (183) and safety Mike Kiley (180) are the top returnees but gimpy-kneed defensive back Vernie Kelley could help much.

Harrell's 130 rushing yards a game will be sorely missed in the veer-T offense, as will quarterback Mike Towne and all-PCAA center Hank Englehardt. Senior John Ertman, redshirt Neal Boring and transfer Bill Strycula will bid at quarterback; ex-wingback Oreaser Brown, ex-fullback Dale Williams and Darwin Benjamin vie for Harrell's tailback spot. Standout tackle Morrison England (6-2, 250) and guard Mel Visger (6-0, 238) are back, along with three-year, all-purpose kicker John Rodriguez.

FRESNO STATE—J.R. Boone combed the JC ranks last year and the Bulldogs improved from 2-9 to 5-7. He's back in the same recruiting grounds this year and, because so many league teams have so many holes to fill, it would be no surprise if the record keeps improving. "I really think we were an 8-4 team last year," says Boone.

The key returning lettermen are quarterback Nef



NEFTALI CORTEZ guides the Fresno St. offense again.

Cortez (120 completions for 1916 yards), split receiver Glen Cotton, who at 6-4 and 200 doesn't have blazing speed but caught 24 passes for 543 yards; tight end Calvin Young (26 catches for 417 yards); running backs Jeff Johnson (565 yards) and Vance Boyes (329 yards); offensive linemen Tim Beene (265) and Blane Roth (229); defensive linemen Rick Biggs (231); Ray Gines (220) and Dan Johnson (215); linebacker Tim Smith (220) and backs Al Alaman (195); Michael Jackson (5-9, 165) and Calvin Lane (180) and kicker Alvaro Garcia, who hit 28 of 30 PATs and 14 of 19 field goals. All of the veterans are seniors.

Boone likes his defense, augmented by people such as transfers Mike Armocido, Bob Fields, Michael Mendoza, Tom Smotherman and Tommy White, all linebackers, and 6-3, 240-pound nose guard Lawrence Fister. Running backs Steve Dixon, a 4.5 sprinter; Paul Wilder, a 200-pounder, and tight end Darrell Bettencourt (6-4, 220) should aid the offense.

CAL. ST. FULLERTON—Young Jim Colletto takes over as Titans' head coach and will go with the Houston Veer offense and 5-2 Oklahoma defense in attempt to improve 4-7 record under Pete Yoder.

There are 46 lettermen returning but only nine starters, including tight end Mike Peterson (6-2, 200), running back Roe McClendon (583 yards); guards Mike Gosselin (6-3, 241) and Scott Smith

(221) and center Bob Stephens (230) on offense and middle guard Rocky Wilson (208), linebackers Aaron Ball (224) and Jim Wand (189) and safetyman Bob Dapper (5-8, 165) on defense.

"We'll be battling for our lives every time we play," said Colletto, whose Titans move up to Division I class, "but our schedule should be a great motivator."

There are several major losses, including quarterback Glen Cardarelli; defensive tackle Wayne Bootow; All-PCAA defensive back Johnnie Gray and wide receivers Glen Garson (44 catches, 672 yards) and Dave Rudolph. And there is a lack of speed at running back and overall on defense. It's on defense where Titans went to JCs most, for players such as linemen Diego Carrillo, Ray Dabela, Mark Lee, Bill Stuart and Ken Washington; linebackers Randy Bowker, Steve Dostal, Rod Turner and Andy Zepeda and backs Don Bertoni, Larry Burrell, Cecil Gordon and Ricky Wedlow. Offensive newcomers: quarterback Mike Rundle; running back Steve Walters; tight end Kevin McCann.

INDEPENDENTS

NEVADA (Las Vegas)—The Rebels had a spectacular, 11-0, regular season, rolling up huge point totals on several opponents. But two of Ron Meyer's most spectacular players—running back Mike Thomas (1464 yards rushing) and receiver-return specialist

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JOHN WOODCOCK, a 6-3, 238-pound senior, figured in 126 tackles last season for the University of Hawaii.

Steve Haggerty, are gone to the pros. Meyer has 17 starters and 45 lettermen back, however, and 30 recruits. Junior quarterback Glenn Carano (1367 yards passing 14 touchdowns) will lead the offense with receiver Mike Haverty (24 catches, 422 yards). The main men on defense are second-team All-America tackle Joe Ingersoll (260); linebackers Mike Otto (215) and Tony Sandone (208) and back Marlon Beavers.

HAWAII—The Rainbows were knocked off the top of the West's independent's list last season by Nevada Las Vegas, 33-8, and finished a subpar 6-5. Starting quarterback Alex Kaloi (1214 yards passing) and second leading rusher Arnold Morgado (460 yards) head Larry Price's offense. Defensively, Price seems strongest up front, with Cliff Laboy (230) and John Woodcock (238), an honorable mention All-America. Mike Perkins (5-9, 175) is a proven safetyman and most cornerbacks return but Price is worried about several factors: depth in the offensive line and at tight end and inexperience at linebacker, mainly.

CAL LUTHERAN—Bob Shoup's Kingsmen gave up only 77 yards and 9 points a game and that led to 9-1 record. Potential is there to match it, starting with All-America safetyman Doug Rihn (190); and down linemen Dan Morrow (215) and Charles McShane (217). Star halfback Dave Nankivell is gone but offensive returnees include All-Coast fullback Hank Bauer and tight ends Steve Trumbauer (215) and Glen Piechocinski (234). Senior quarterback Bill Wilson (6-1, 195) has thrown for 20 touchdowns in two years and makes the offense go. Shoup has 33 lettermen and 13 starters back.

SANTA CLARA—Coach Pat Malley faces some rebuilding after losing 11 of 22 starters, and 28 lettermen off 7-3 team, including all the down linemen and No. 1 running back Paul Livesey. But Malley has back quarterback Kaipō Spencer (185); fullback Joe Oddo (190); receivers Mike Mothershead (170) and Dennis McClenahan (173); defensive back Tim Silveira (190) and linebacker John Cartwright (225). Eight junior college transfers and several top freshman are expected, too. Included there are transfer running backs Mike Gill and Mike Nealey and All-America prep receiver Dan Farrell (6-3, 200).

PORTLAND STATE—Offensive-minded Darrell (Mouse) Davis takes over a Viking team had upped record from 1-10 to 5-6, and has most of guns back—including quarterback Mike Gardner (2001 yards passing); receivers John Mills (62 receptions), Tony Stoudamire (26), Dave Stief (25) and Dan Durbin (25) plus junior fullback Gene Woodard (553 yards). Improved defense had two Little All-Coast performers—linebacker Charles Herring and safety Arthur Dickson—who both intercepted seven passes, and are back, along with five other defensive regulars.

NEVADA (Reno)—Injury and inexperience led to disappointing, 5-6 record for Jerry Scattini's Wolf Pack in 1974 but improvement is expected. The defense will be led by inside linebacker Mark Graham (6-3, 225), with help from transfer Kent Krueger (6-5, 260) at tackle. Little All Coast tackle Ralph Nuti (225) is back on offense, as are running backs Bruce Thomas (185) and Sam Vaiana (200) and quarterbacks Jack Fisher and Jeff Tisdell, who split time. Mike Smith was fifth leading kickoff returner in nation (774 yards); Charlie Lee hit 13 of 21 field goals.

AZUSA-PACIFIC—Cougars will miss Jim Farmer, who signed with Dallas but Jerry Sconce may have a capable replacement in redshirt Mitch Merrell (175) or returnees Arden McDaniel (155) and Dennis Huff (170). Offense overall should be much stronger and the defense looks good, too, thanks to people such as tackle Mike Standridge (220), an honorable mention All America; and defensive backs Steve Wood (180) and Richard Anderson (175). Then there's kicker Brad Kramer, who had a 54-yard field goal, plus six JC transfers that should add the needed depth.

PUGET SOUND—The Loggers had their first losing season (4-5) in nine years, giving up more than 300 yards and 21 points a game, but Paul Wallrof expects to bring things back under control. Linebackers Ron Reeves and Bill Linnenkohl should help stop the opposition, along with Steve (Donkey) Davis. Clay Angle (the runner) and Doug Holderman (the passer) will continue to share quarterbacking duties. Running backs Doug Gall, Don Rinta and Robin Hill must be replaced but Richard Arena is a capable tight end. Wallrof can call on 32 lettermen.



ED ACOSTA (left) led U.S. International's rushing game last season with 872 yards and 6 TDs, while teammate CHIP CHAVEZ kicked 30 PATs and seven field goals.

USIU—The Westerners came out of nowhere to finish with best record in school history, 8-2, and should be good again. Quarterback Greg Briner (647 yards) passing, and running backs Ed Acosta (872 yards rushing) and Gaylon Zissa head the offense; the defense is led by end Jim Barber (234); tackles Wes Crockett (249) and Leon Gay (245); middle linebacker Jack Grbavac (230) and cornerbacks Perry Burnham (172) and Bill Crayton (190). Placekicker Chip Chavez returns, too. Don Turner will get help from newcomers such as wide receiver Bernie Rangel (175).

ST. MARY'S—The Galloping Gaels limped to a 3-6 record last year under first-year coach Jim McDonald but have added a couple of games and some

new hope this season. The three outstanding prospects are defensive end Bob (Cowboy) Wattenbarger (6-3, 225); defensive tackle Steve (Chief) Smith (6-3, 235, excellent speed for his size) and cornerback Steve Drisdale (190), a tough tackler highly regarded by pro scouts. Top passer Randy Nelson is gone but tight end Mike Pezet, offensive tackle Walt Laughridge and middle guard John Roth all have talent.

CCAA

U. CAL. RIVERSIDE—Coach Bob Toledo ended Cal Poly San Luis Obispo's domination of the league in his first season and loses just two starters—one All-America linebacker Nick Buehler. Leaders offensively from 8-3 team are senior quarterback Dan Hayes (1897 yards passing, 15 TDs) and his chief receivers, Craig Scott and Bob McLennan. Tackle Howard Gardner (6-6, 245), guard Larry Rowe (222) and center Tony Lottice (230) head fine line. On defense, the Highlander aces are senior strong safety George Chance (190), coming off surgery; middle guard Jimmy Nichols (200) and linebacker Chris Rice (200).

CAL. POLY (Obispo)—Joe Harper is ready to try to regain title with 43 lettermen, including 16 starters off team that began 1-3-1 and finished 5-4-1. Solid Mustang offense is headed by tailback Gary Davis (880 yards in junior season) and Little All-Coast

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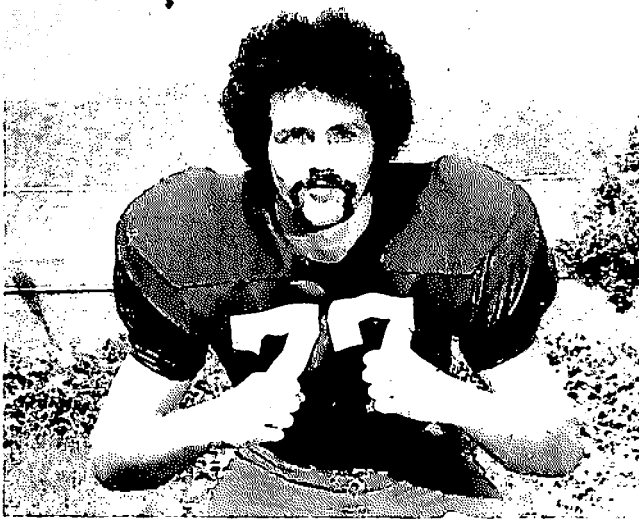
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KENT LELAND, 6-4, 235-pound guard, made Little All West Coast after standout '74 season at Cal Poly Obispo.

guard Kent Leland (6-4, 235). The best defender is All-CCAA tackle Dennis Sherlock (240). Free safety Mark Davis has 12 interceptions in two seasons. Harper started in Veer T but went back to I last season. Quarterbacks Cliff Johnson and Rich Robbins, who shared time, will run it.

CAL. POLY (Pomona)—If size means anything, Andy Vinci's Broncos should better 5-3-2 record. Offensive line includes 290-pounders George Papac and Buck Fowler and averages 260—which is what J.C. All-America Harold Rodgers weighs. Quarterback Jim Zorn and receivers Andy Sanchez and Ernie Yarbrough are gone but Vinci can call on big (6-2, 210) tailback Mike Harris, plus defenders like All-Conference linebacker Jimmy Castanon (220), defensive back Scott Sanders (190) and linemen Leon Hooker (6-5, 260) and John Medlin (6-5, 240).

CAL ST. LOS ANGELES—Diablos come off first winning season in last six (5-4-1) and Jim Williams' task will be eased by the return of 42 lettermen, including 15 starters. Big problem is replacing quarterback Rick Holoubek (school's all-time leading passer). Back are top wide receivers Billy Derrick (37 catches, 617 yards) and Doug Hopper (30 for 501) and top rushers Dan Singleton (421 yards) and Warren Payne (284). Defensive secondary is strong, led by free safety Michael Peters and cornerback Mike Curry, and so is linebacking corps.

CAL ST. NORTHRIDGE—The Matadors have a long way to come back off a 2-9 overall record, 1-3 in CCAA but will get help from a pair of transfers, defensive backs Danny Garrett (190) and Don Denegal (175), both juniors. Veteran quarterback Bill Flannagan (195) and fullback Greg Baltad (210) will be joined by sophomore Joseph Dartis in offensive backfield. There are a pair of 245-pounders on defense—tackle Earl Marshall and linebacker Mike Smith. A veteran offensive line returns, with 255-pound Dan Russell at one tackle.

SCIAC

REDLANDS—Frank Serrao's team will try to roll a triple after posting 7-2 record and winning sec-

ond straight conference title. Odds are it will, despite loss of quarterback Chuck Hiroto and linebacker Butch Edge. Two-year letterman Steve Vento takes over at quarterback with strong David D'Arcangelo at running back, Bob Downs (205) at tight end and Chris Van Zee (200) at center. He's co-captain, along with three-year letterman defensive tackle Floyd Braggs (250). Other top defenders: linebacker Don Obradovich (190) and back Bob Ollar (175).

WHITTIER—The Poets should again provide Redlands with stiffest test, just as they did in 1974, when they were second in league and 8-2 overall. John Godfrey's prime concern is moving the football. He'll have senior running back Dan Chikami and tackles Paul Hill (240) and Leroy Miles to help do that. Eight of 11 defensive starters return, led by linebackers Larry Love, shifted from defensive end, and John Getz; end Bill Dober and back Ron Heberger, strong tackler despite size (160 pounds). He also intercepted six passes.

LA VERNE—Roland Ortmyer's Leopards, 5-5 last season, are giving best chance of upsetting SCIAC's top two. Leading conference rusher Roy VanderKallen and All-League runner Curtis Frick head the attack, helped along by center Roger Hanawalt, a converted defensive end. Leopard defense, usually outstanding, should be the same this season, thanks to end Ron Kimball (210), tackle Grant Seiler (200); linebacker John Herrera (175) and backs Casey O'Gorman (156 tackles) last season and Gus Newson (195). Program has continuity. The five coaches have been at school total of 82 years.

CLAREMONT-MUDD—John Zinda's Stags tied for fourth in the conference last season with Occidental and Pomona, and were 2-6 overall. The defense will be a veteran unit manned by six seniors and five juniors, including end Reggie Cox (195); and linebackers Tim Fields (195) and Matt Kobe (190). Offensively, there's less experience (three sophomores are scheduled to start), but senior tackle Bob Mennis (215) is a proven performer. Tiny senior quarterback Steve Schaumleffell (145 pounds) will be throwing to Jeff Robinson (175) and Jon Begerow (175).

OCCIDENTAL—The Tigers, just 1-7 and fifth in the conference last year, would be better offensively if they can find a quarterback to get the ball to slick split end Luis Samaniego (5-10, 165). Junior transfer Tom Hamilton is the top candidate. Other leading prospects back include tailback Larry Beck (185), the team's back of the year as a freshman, and tackle Doug MacBlane (230) on offense; tackle Darwin Campbell (6-9, 260); linebacker Stan Shure (220) and leading tackler and safetyman Dan Ragosta (190) on defense. Transfer Gary Bradison (6-3, 240) should shore the offensive line.

POMONA—Three transfers, Tive Henry (190), a running back who was at USC; quarterback Lyle Lansdell (185) and offensive guard Victorio Haskins

(180) are expected to help a Sagehen team that was only 1-8. Lansdell should team well with wide receiver Joe Budenholzer (59 catches for 958 yards) and running back Tim Short (185). Versatile Chris Dialynas (170) will double at running back and defensive back, where he'll help ace Nick Dialynas (170). Other standouts: center Warren Person (215); defensive tackle Robert Menicucci (220); linebacker Paul Grundy (190); kicker Scott Borg.

FAR WESTERN

U CAL. DAVIS—Jim Sochor's Aggies had a big edge (9-1 overall, 5-0 in conference) on league foes last season. It should narrow but they should win again, because of players such as versatile Anthony Terry (175), who may double at wide receiver and cornerback; entire starting backfield—quarterbacks Dan Casmazzi and Jim Speck, running backs Tom Slater and Rick Hamilton—whole starting secondary, led by All-Conference John Silverfoote; and two field goal kickers—Rolf Benirshke and Terry Rutledge. Chief losses are at defensive end (Phil Wells) and in offensive line.

HUMBOLDT STATE—The Lumberjacks were just 4-6 in 1974 but finished in conference tie for second at 2-3 and look much improved. Coach Bud Van Deren's team won four of last five and has back All-League tackle Mike Cox (240), star guard Jim Glauze (220), All-Conference running back Jim

Godsey (516 yards rushing); Little All-Coast defensive end Bill Leitelt (220); All-League middle linebacker Bob Figas (210) and defensive back Abe Numair (170). Chief needs: depth on defense and a quarterback to step in for departed leader Brad Spinas.

CHICO STATE—The Wildcats finished in second-place tie in conference, too, and were 4-7 overall under Dick Trimmer. A pair of outstanding receivers—Tim O'Connell (42 catches for 564 yards) and Gary Eckley (29 for 418)—head the prospects, which also include leading rusher Willie Lewis (371 yards); offensive guard Ed Rodgers (210) and kicker Rich Sorenson (34 points last year). Trimmer looks for offensive help from transfer quarterback Don Carstenson (6-1, 200) and running back Rich Orlando, along with nose tackle Bob Blaisure (225).

SACRAMENTO STATE—The Hornets' hopes for a successful season depend on the running of tailback George Sula (6-1, 200), who led the conference in rushing (1084 yards) and scoring (66 points); and quarterback Tony Thomas, redshirt transfer from Washington State. Thomas, 6-1, 180, should be the sort of passer Ray Clemons lacked in a dismal, 2-9 1974 season. Starting his 15th year as Hornet coach, Clemons hopes to lead the team to a better conference mark than 2-3, too, and break four-way tie for that spot.

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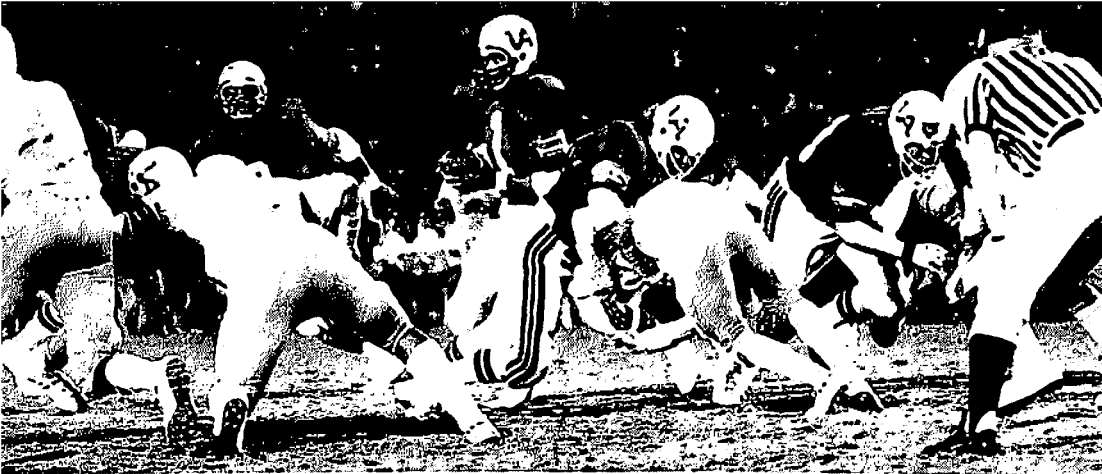
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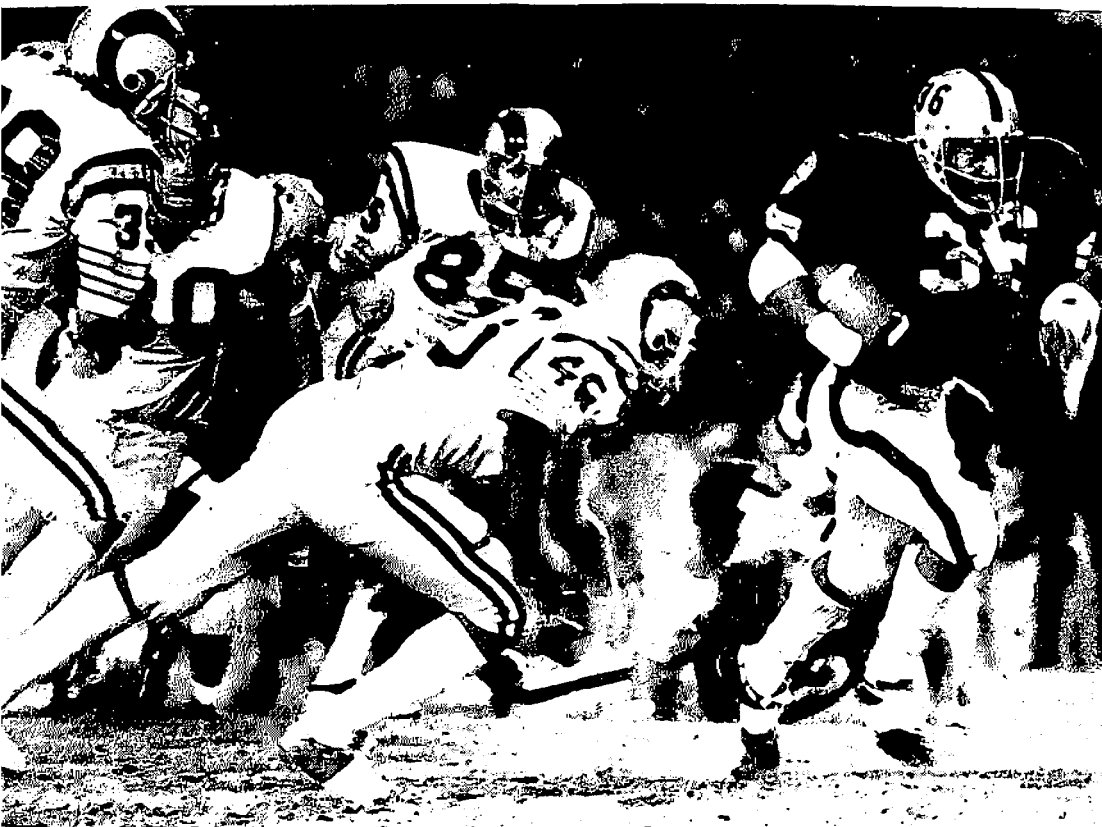
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FREDDY WILLIAMS, left, breaking away for big score, gained 1299 yards in sophomore year at Arizona State.



MARK DRISCOLL gets last-minute instructions from Colorado State sideline coaches.

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They can preach "winning isn't everything," but it is in the Western Athletic Conference where a single loss each year has deprived Coach Jim Young and the Arizona Wildcats of two undisputed football championships.

Two years ago, Arizona State beat Arizona to force a co-championship and last year, Brigham Young rallied for seven straight victories to edge the Wildcats, who finally beat Arizona State.

Brigham Young thus ended Arizona State's domination of the post-season Fiesta Bowl at Phoenix. And BYU started it all after losing three in a row and blowing a lead and escaping with a lucky tie against Colorado State.

The WAC appears to be a three-team race with Arizona, Arizona State and Brigham Young, with New Mexico given the dark-horse label.

Among the independents, Utah State, with the nation's rushing leader, Loule Giammona, should be the toughest while the Air Force Academy improves on its poor record of 1974.

In the defensive-minded Rocky Mountain conference, Western State and Westminster (Salt Lake City) are picked to battle for the title.

And in the Great Plains conference, where offense is the keynote, Washburn is the best bet to dethrone Northern Colorado University.

Getting back to the WAC race, Arizona has 31 of its top 44 players returning from 8-3 and 9-2 seasons under Coach Young.

But the big edge goes to the Wildcats on their established quarterback Bruce Hill, "T" Bell, a great receiver-runner, and a solid defense.

Both Brigham Young and Arizona State start with quarterback problems. Arizona has one drawback in playing five of its seven conference games on the road, and BYU must start quickly, with three conference games in the first month of the season.

The Cougars are missing Gary Sheide, the Instant Offense who was second two years in a row in passing. Coach LaVell Edwards also loses most of his front defensive unit.

The All-America future book list from the area is impressive with Giammona of Utah State returning after getting second and third team honors last year, and Dave Lawson of the Air Force back for more kicking laurels.

Bob Berg of New Mexico challenges Lawson for the kicking honors in the area, and quarterback Hill of Arizona must beat out Steve Myer of New Mexico, who was leading the nation until shelved with a leg injury.

Mike Haynes of Arizona State ranks among the nation's best defensive backs, while BYU's Orrin Olsen was unanimous All-Conference after switching to center.

"T" Bell of Arizona is a tremendous receiver and kick returner and Arizona State's "Fast Freddie" Williams is a great running back.

Eddie Bell is a top offensive guard from New Mexico and Kevin McLain is rated Colorado State's top linebacker, amid arguments from Utah, backing John (Monk) Huddleston.

Fred Akers of Wyoming is the only new coach in the area, but when Edwards of BYU is second in football "seniority" with three seasons under his belt, you note the WAC isn't any place for relaxing.

ARIZONA—In his two years as head coach at Arizona, Jim Young has lost only two conference games, but they cost the Wildcats two undisputed WAC championships.

This year is the one Young could come in ahead of the pack, with seven starters back on offense and defense and 31 of the first 44 back.

After turning in the best two-year won-lost record in the WAC, 12-2 in the league and 17-5 overall, Arizona is ready to win it all.

Arizona has a big plus factor in having an established, proven, winning quarterback in Bruce Hill.

The six-foot, 185-pounder senior was seventh nationally in total offense and 13th in passing, with

53 percent completion last year, good for 2118 yards.

Arizona's All-America candidate is Theopolis "T" Bell, a senior flanker (6-0 and 178) with 4.6 speed, who can do everything in football.

Bell was ninth nationally in receptions (53 for 700 yards and 11 touchdowns) and he has been ranked among the top 20 in both punt and kick off returns in his three years as a starter.

Keying a rugged defensive unit is Mike Dawson, senior tackle (6-3½ and 258 pounds), of whom Young says, "He has great quickness and agility as well as physical strength and size. This makes him one of the country's top linemen. He consistently comes up with the big plays."

Arizona faces a major problem in playing five of its seven conference games on the road, with only New Mexico and Utah at Tucson.

But Young is quick to point out, "We do have a good nucleus to build on."

Despite losing fullback Jim Upchurch and halfback Willie Hamilton, Arizona has the best depth at running back in Young's tenure.

With Hill passing and Bell and Scott Piper receiving, the passing game will be up to par.

Mike Battles was granted an additional year of eligibility as a hardship (injury) case, which gives Arizona really eight starters back on defense.

Battles will move from safety to cornerback. He's a 6-1, 189-pound senior. Top transfer may be Jesse Parker, a Tucson boy who moved back from UCLA. He's a 6-2, 215-pound offensive halfback.

In addition to Dawson and Battles, defensive starters returning include tackle Grant Swanson (6-2, 234), left end Willis Barrett, linebackers Obra Erby and Mark Jacobs, wildcat back Joe Colace and safety Dennis Anderson, who has 4.7 speed, will do the punting. Anderson is 6-1, 190.

Jacobs, All-WAC last year as a soph, led team in 1974 with 115 unassisted and 85 assisted tackles. He has 4.9 speed and stands 6-1 and weighs 231.

Other offensive starters back are tight end Dan Howard, center Bob Windisch, 6-2, 235-pound

senior, right tackle Brian Murray, 6-5, 253-pound senior, and right guard Paul Schmidt, 6-2, 239-pound senior.

Young has been criticized for his sometimes colorless attack, but 17-5 for two years isn't bad, along with a co-championship and a second-place finish in the WAC.

ARIZONA STATE—As befits one of the winningest active coaches, Frank Kush has preached that winning builds character, too.

But in 1974, Kush came close to having his first chance in 30 years as a player and a coach of seeing how it looks from the loser's side.

Arizona State finished with a 7-5 record, but for a team which had lost but six games total in the previous five years, this was a comparative loser.

The Sun Devils also lost three games in WAC play, which is exactly the number of conference games lost in the previous five years.

To cap this year of frustration, Arizona State finished third in the conference, and that's the first time Kush and ASU had finished lower than second since the Sun Devils played sufficient games to begin qualifying for the championship in 1965.

It was not a year to remember at Tempe.

The quarterback problem hasn't been resolved and that hurt the squad last year. Junior Ray Alexander left in the spring after losing the starting role to Dennis Sproul, a freshman.

Sproul, who is not a play-action quarterback, but a better passer, is being challenged by Bruce Hardy, who can run pretty fair, but scatters his passes.

Fred Mortensen, who left for a two-year mission to Taiwan for the Mormon Church, after his freshman year, may be the answer. So might Joe Davis, who red-shirted after his transfer from USC.

Arizona State has been known for its speed-burners in the past, as runners, receivers, blockers and pursuers.

The team speed seems to be bunched in "Fast Freddie" Williams, the 5-11, 192-pound dynamo, who rushed for 1299 yards, most-ever for a soph at ASU.



MIKE HAYNES, Arizona State, led nation with 11 interceptions in '74.

Kush looks for improvement in the offensive backfield, adding, "Quarterbacking is the key. Sproul should be improved with a year's experience and Hardy continues to make rapid strides.

"We have good quality at running backs. Williams and fullback Mark Lovett are proven and Nate Wilson and Jimmy Malone have good size. Our running attack should be improved, but passing is another item, and one we will have to iron-out to be successful," Kush added.

The receiving corps will be inexperienced, too, with Morris Owens and Greg Hudson gone. John Jefferson (nee Washington) who took over when Hudson was hurt, led ASU receivers last year and Danny Smith could be the answer at tight end.

The offensive line, through inexperience in the complicated trapping offense of the Sun Devils, came in for criticism last year. But that year should make Washington at split end, Scott Allen and Dave Orzell at the tackles, center Jim Heilig and guard Rick Torbert solid players.

The defense will need new starters at both ends, left linebacker and weak safety.

Mike Haynes, perhaps the best all-around football player in the WAC, heads the defensive unit. The 6-3 195-pounder led the nation in interceptions with 11 and was among the leaders in kick returns.

The front liners are solid, outside the flanks, with Chris Lorenzen and Randy Moore at tackles, Rocky Mataalii at middle guard, Larry Gordon at linebacker, Haynes and Mike Martinez at the corners and Alex Stencil at safety.

It's still a young squad, with 36

sophs, 27 juniors and 11 seniors. It won't lose five games this year, even if it doesn't get to the winner's circle.

BRIGHAM YOUNG—The Cougars won their last seven straight to become the surprise champion of the WAC. If they repeat, it would be even more amazing.

Coach LaVell Edwards didn't lose so many athletes as so much talent among the six offensive and defensive starters who departed.

Offensively, Gary Sheide is the biggest loss, because he passed for 23 touchdowns enroute to a second straight runner-up spot in the national passing statistics.

There is no logical replacement for the passer who led BYU to seventh place in passing yards a game, with a 210.4 average.

The Cougars also lost four of their top six receivers, although this is nullified somewhat by the return of Jay Miller, who led the nation in receiving as a soph with 100 catches and then was injured last year.

BYU has survived for years without much of an offense, because of its powerful defense, which last year was fourth nationally in defense against the run.

Three of the front four are missing, along with a pair of three-year linebackers and a veteran defensive back.

Edwards admits, "Our success this year appears to hinge on three things: Our avoidance of injuries, the emergence of a strong quarterback, and replacements for the front four."

Edwards is not a pessimist and adds, "We fell we have good people in the areas mentioned. It's just a case of getting them ready and having them ready when the season starts. Typically, we should get stronger as the season progresses. So much depends upon how quickly we mature and develop."

The running backs should be improved. Jeff Blanc, 11th nationally in all-purpose running, leads the tailbacks, backed by Charlie Ah You and Mark Terranova, the

latter injured last season.

Tod Christensen, a 210-pound soph, is the top fullback candidate and Letterman Bob Biddy is in Betham's flanker spot.

That leaves the quarterbacking up for grabs among Mark Giles, who completed 10 of 18 passes last year, Gifford Nielsen, a 6-5, 190-pounder, and several frosh candidates.

The offensive line will be built around Orrin Olsen at center, right tackle Brad Oates (6-7 and 245) and left guard Lloyd Fairbanks, each an All-Conference choice last year.

Dave Taylor, an offensive center and kicker, and Mike Howe, a 6-4, 225-pound tight end, may help as frosh this fall.

Stan Varner, a 6-4, 235-pounder, the last survivor of the front four, leads the defense, but the only spot without a letterman is the right corner position.

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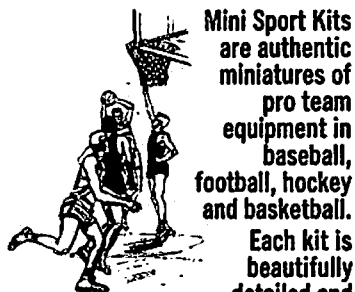
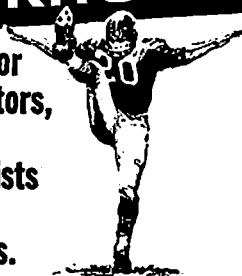
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NEW MEXICO—There were those last year who tabbed Steve Myer as the best quarterback in college football, and for half a season he led the passers with 17.5 completions a game while completing 105 of 196 for 1103 yards.

He threw for seven touchdowns in six games and then was shelved for the season with knee surgery and New Mexico finished up 4-6-1 and tied for fourth in the WAC with 3-4.

So impressive was Myers that his recovery this spring stamps the veteran Lobo team as the best longshot to surprise in the WAC.

So there is optimism at Albuquerque where Coach Bill Mondt starts his second season as the head man.

Eight starters return on offense and nine on defense, so Mondt has as much experience as any contender.

Actually, Mondt was experimenting in his first year and most of the 39 returning lettermen started at least one game.

Mondt attempted his rebuilding program with a strong redshirt plan and he'll have 11 redshirts from last year along with two junior college transfers to augment the lettermen, squad men and 26 candidates from the frosh.

Going to the offense, Myer stands alone at quarterback, with soph Ken Bryant as backup and Bob Keeran, who quarterbacked several games, shifted to running back.

Two of the top three runners return, but Bobby Scott, who rushed for 860 yards as a JC is expected to replace veteran Floyd Perry, who quit mid-way through the spring drills.

Bobby Forrest, a transfer from TCU, and frosh team backs Kevin Wellard and Don Barnes will add depth.

The top returning receivers are tight end Pete Robison (20 for 236 yards) and Preston Hall, with soph Preston Dennard, first frosh to make the All-WAC team, at split end and senior Gil Stewart at the flanker.

Bob Berg with 14 of 17 points after and 18 of 24 field goals will handle the kicking.



STEVE MYER, New Mexico's star QB, comes back after a knee operation.

BOB BERG's deadly placekicking earned him All-WAC honors in '74.



The offensive interior line returns all its starters with Mike Andrakowicz (6-5 and 263) and Rick Haury (6-4 and 265 senior) at tackles, Ken Brown (6-3 and 240) and Edgar Bell (6-1 and 235 pound senior) at guards and Steve Wilson (6-1 and 238 senior) at center.

Defensively, the Lobos loom ever stronger.

Robin Cole, at defensive end, accounted for 52 unassisted tackles and 38 assisted take downs, while Dave Thompson, at weak linebacker, had 58 unassisted tackles and 74 assists.

Other top front line returnees are tackle Andy Frederick (6-7 and 245), linebacker Mark Rupcich (6-1 and 230 senior) and middle guard Steve Ciepiela.

The secondary is all-veteran with Tim Wescott, Randy Rich, Ron Wallace and Bob Johnson.

COLORADO STATE—The Rams led the nation in passing (261.8 average) but finished sixth in the WAC with a 4-6-1 overall and

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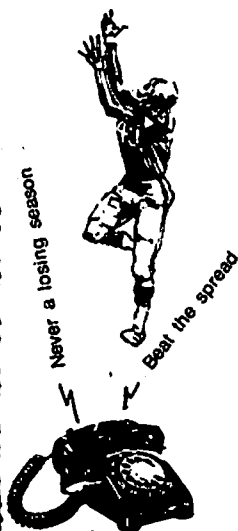
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Mark Driscoll returns as the triggerman on the air gun, but Coach Sark Arslanian is hoping his rebuilding program continues to bear fruit.

Arslanian, always the optimist, summarizes, "We had a good year recruiting and we should continue to improve. The schedule is extremely tough, but that's something we have to live with. The offensive line must be rebuilt after losing some blue-chip performers. We feel we have some excellent replacements, but we will lack experience."

Bill Gray, a 230-pound offensive guard, is the only regular starter in the interior offensive line, although Dan Dubishar, also 230, started some late in the season at the other guard spot.

Dan O'Rourke, all-WAC split end last year, has been moved to flanker, where he will try to replace Willie Miller, CSU's all-time receiver.

Despite playing only 29 quarters in nine games, Quarterback Driscoll finished fourth in total offense and sixth in passing in the national statistics. He's a 6-1, 185-pound senior, who developed slowly.

Leading the defense will be 6-2 230-pound Kevin McLain. Last year he had 93 unassisted tackles, 102 assists, 12 tackles for losses, seven fumbles caused and four recovered and three passes deflected.

Greg Poppino at left end, Dave Waite, who alternated at right end and cornerback Jerome Dove are the starters back with McLain.

The running game is solid with Ron Harris, who rushed for 956 yards as a freshman, leading the parade.

A junior college transfer is expected to team with McLain at linebacker and Arslanian says of Fred Marston and McLain "This could be the best linebacking tandem in the WAC." Marston is 6-3 and 241 pounds and has been timed in 4.75. McLain has 4.7 speed.

Cornerback Mel Washington and transfer Mike Bachman, who will be a split end, are the two fastest in camp with 4.45 speed.

With Driscoll, O'Rourke and



ROBBIE WRIGHT, Wyoming fullback, rushed for 628 yards, 9 TDs in '74.

JOE MARION does double duty for Wyoming, punting and linebacking.



Harris in the backfield will be either senior letterman Jim McKenzie or soph Chuck Kovac.

Junior letterman Bruce Stoeklen has the edge at center, with two-year letterman Doug Bonk and redshirt soph Steve Cyphers filling the tackle spots.

The secondary looms as strong with safeties Keith King, Bruce Johnson and Eric Wilk and corners Washington, Jerome Dove and Dan Zeller.

Line experience should come from Fred Paoli, Dan Arthur and and Gary Paulson, with redshirts Cyphers and Don Landry.

WYOMING—Coach Fred Akers left the "Hook 'em Horns" football madness of the University of Texas to rebuild the "Cowboy Joe" spirit at Wyoming, and he learned quickly that the intensity in there, although the fans are much fewer. His first rebuilding project hit a snag when the Legislature refused to appropriate the money to expand and dome the War Memorial stadium.

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Recruiting was the first order of business for the new staff and Akers admitted, "We were extremely pleased with our recruiting. Despite the late start, our staff did an excellent job."

Akers inherited 39 lettermen, including four who did not play last year. They include seven starters on offense and eight on defense. Also, 17 redshirts plus nine squadmen.

He also brought in touted JC players in quarterback Jim Hector (Tyler J.C.), defensive lineman Mike Rabel (N.E. Okla. J.C.), lineman Ray Stawowy (N.E. Okla.) and Mike Iacampo (Kentucky) linebacker.

The offensive starters returning include Steve Burke at split end, Steve Edwards and Mark Seymour at guards, and Rick Costello at quarter, Doug Wilson at flanker, Lawrence Gaines at fullback and Robbie Wright at fullback-running back.

Defensive starters include Larry Sohasky at end, Leon Broussard and Paul Nunu at tackles, Paul Duke at middle guard, Randy Gallu and Joe Marion at linebackers (Marion also punts), and safety men Aaron Kyle and Craig Parham.

UTAH—Coach Tom Lovat dumped the "high risk offense" of his predecessor last year, but in the process, he lost almost all his offense in addition to 10 games.

Now Lovat is going with the I formation and he's counting on transfer quarterback Pat Degnon (Air Force Academy) to give him air respectability.

Quarterbacking just has to be

improved because Utah experimented, without much success, with four throwers last year.

Strong points should be the defense, headed by John (Monk) Huddleston, 6-2, 235-pound senior linebacker.

Kevin Harrison (6-2 and 255) and Ron Cherkas (6-3, 240) return at the tackles. Steve Enright, who was 6-7 and 250 as a frosh out of the armed forces, will play somewhere.

Scott Reed was granted a hardship year, which gives Lovat four ends who started at times. Joining Huddleston at linebacker is Dave O'Bagy, recovering from knee injuries.

The secondary returns with Lyle Lavarias, Mike Spencer and Grant Gertsch. Rick Bourdeaux saw a lot of action as a soph, too.

Bryan Hustad was a starter at offensive guard and Mike Schizzler started some as a soph tackle, but two rookies—Mike Webb (6-3, 245) and Steve Lamb—should challenge, along with two outstanding transfers in David Cerbin (6-5, 265) and Bill Dawson (6-2, 250).

Fred Hobbs played injured at tight end and he's recovered. Senior Frank Collins should be the top wide-receiver, as well as a runner.

Collins has 9.6 speed, but John McIntyre, with good moves, will play somewhere where he handles the ball.

Behind Degnon at quarterback is Homer Warner, a fiery scrambler who came off the junior varsity after a Mormon Church mission to start the last game of the season.

Junior College transfer Dan Hageman also will bear watching as a quarterback.

Fullbacks are Mark Hoard, transfer Bob Sweeny and soph Dan Gerbatz.

Senior Roosevelt Hutchins, off knee surgery, should have the inside track but the surprise running back of the year in the WAC might be soph Steve Peake, who explodes. Vincent Cotton, who missed last year with a broken leg, is a possibility.

Lovat is rebuilding with a strong frosh recruiting program and very few seniors will be play-

ing this fall. However, with Utah State, Washington State, Indiana and Iowa State to open the season, his youngsters will learn quickly.

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A 4-7 year for openers wasn't bad, but it may take some luck to improve much on that record this year, with such a loss of defensive players.

However, Bartosh admits, "We feel like we're pretty much on schedule in our rebuilding. We felt it would take two or three years and we're definitely rebuilding again this year.

"Quarterback is in great shape with Bobby McKinley, a 6-2, 200-pound senior, finally producing. Bobby is stronger, faster and quicker than he was a year ago.

"Our big questions are at defensive end and in the secondary. We lost nine defensive starters, but we made some switches and I think our linebackers, nose guard and tackles will be adequate.

"We'll be relying on freshmen a lot and you never can tell how they'll react under pressure," Bartosh said.

McKinley, a transfer from SMU, was named rookie of the year in the WAC. He was 19th nationally in total offense with 161.5 yards a game.

Other offensive starters include Ray Holt, second in rushing as a frosh running back; Tanny Johnson, who started as a wingback as a frosh and may play fullback; soph tackle Leonard Hill and junior tackle Jim Lohmann.

The two defensive starters back are end Hal Barnett, who may move to linebacker, and Norm O'Driscoll, a junior tackle.

Flash Collins, who lettered as a receiver, is certain to see action.

Recruiting has been a strong point in the Bartosh administration and they point to Welton Cobb, one of the most sought-after players in Texas football, as Exhibit A.

Cobb was all-state running back and linebacker and he carries 9.5 speed with his 205 pounds.

INDEPENDENTS

UTAH STATE—When you have a team averaging more than 250 yards a game rushing for two years and the top rusher in the country coming back, you wouldn't expect a coach to just start throwing the football.

But that's what Coach Phil Krueger claims he wants to do and he sees an improved passing attack making Louie Giammona even more deadly.

Little Louie, at 5-9 and 176 pounds "too small" to be recruited in his native California, averaged 153.4 yards a game rushing and 198.4 all-purpose running in leading the nation in these categories.

He missed the Oklahoma game because of an injury and got off slowly, but in the last seven Aggie games, Louie averaged 175 yards a game rushing including 247 yards against Idaho.

As a junior, Giammona was named to the UPI second and AP third teams.

Krueger, coming off an 8-3 season, explains the desire to get the ball in the air:

"It's not that we contemplate down-playing the run, because that would be stupid with an athlete like Giammona coming back. We just feel we could be better balanced with a more proficient passing game.

"When I first came to Utah State I didn't feel we had the personnel for the wide-open passing attack. We have those athletes now, although we will be going with a new quarterback."

The Aggie strengths will be a solid running game and a solid front-seven on defense. The questions are the secondary where one starter returns, and quarterback, where Greg Van Ness, a southpaw who started at North Texas State, must come through.

Van Ness was a starter for Hayden Fry two years ago and then passed for some 1500 yards last year at Santa Barbara J.C. Backing up Van Ness will be Chris DeWan, a redshirt last year.

The Aggies hit the junior colleges heavily and newcomers to watch should include receiver Greg Dailey, tight end John Hook,



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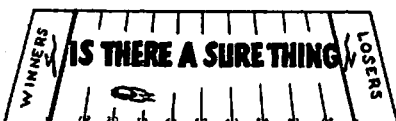
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the Aggie depth in experience
this year. The top runners are
Paul Tidwell, Bobby Robinson,
Dan Cox, Jesse Kemp and Steve
Smith.

Leading the offensive line is
tackle Scott Parrish, at 6-6 and
265 and a definite pro prospect,
along with tight end Orlando Nel-
son and guard Eldon Messer-
smith.

The 17 defensive lettermen are
anchored by linebacker Al Bett-
man, tackles Bob Dzierzak and
Wayne Womack and end Steve
Maughan.

Utah State has at least two let-
termen at each of the front five
and two linebacker spots, but
cornerback Dave Williams was
the only starter back from the
secondary.

Krueger says, "This is the best
material I've had at Utah State,"
and that's coming off two years
when his Aggies went 7-4 and 8-3.



LOUIE GIAMMONA, only 5-9, is key
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top 44 players returning, there is
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The Academy year in and year
out is over-scheduled and Arkan-
sas, Iowa State, UCLA, Notre
Dame, Tulane and California, plus
the service rivals, Army and
Navy, in addition to the traditional
rivals at Colorado State and Wy-
oming, give the Falcons plenty of
competition.

But there may be encourage-
ment in that six of the 11 oppo-
nents had losing records in 1974.

Defense looms as the strong
point in the bid to move into na-
tional prominence again. The
weaknesses are the offensive line,
which had to be rebuilt, and the
quarterbacking, which must be
stabilized.

Martin alternated Mike Wor-
den and Rob Shaw at quarter-
back in 1974, and neither devel-

oped into the take-charge guy.
Hopefully, a year of experience
will eliminate these uncertainties.

Most of the rest of the running
and receiving offense returns and
the defense lost only one starter,
Terry Young.

The offensive line was hardest
hit by graduation, with five start-
ers leaving. However, lettermen
are available at every position in
the line.

The running game should be
strong again with tailbacks Ken
Wood and Dave Reiner and full-
back Chris Milodragovich.

Wood netted 70 yards in 203
carries; Reiner 292 in 71 and
Mildragovich 276 in 76.

Quarterback Worden was the
total offense leader, with 798 of
his 849 yards coming from passing.
He completed 61 of 128, with 10
interceptions, and two touch-
downs.

Four of the top five receivers
are back, with Tight end John
Covington (6-6, 235-pound se-
nior) leading the returnees with
16 catches for 207 yards.

However, the "offensive leader"

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Lawson also is the starter at linebacker, but his forte is kicking. His three-year total for extra points is 63 of 72 and on field goals he has converted 38 of 67. His longest was a 60-yarder against Colorado.

Anchoring a veteran defensive unit will be tackle Phil Richmond, middle guard Mark Kenney and tackle Doug Kupersmith. On the flanks will be Randy Spetman and Gary Potter.

Veteran linebackers are Brian Cerney and Lawson, and veteran rover Ray Wild is the key man in the all-veteran secondary.

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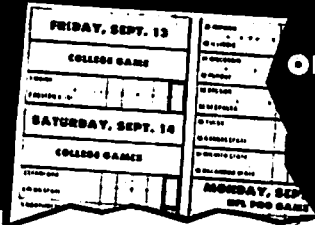
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NORTHERN COLORADO—Tailback Chuck Taibi, the Bears' first 1000-yard rusher, and fullback Gary Eccker lead the 27 returning lettermen in defense of their title and an 8-1 season. UNC lost only one offensive line starter, so filling shoes of All-America quarterback Jerry Dattilio is problem, and Kevin Davis, Jack Sea, Ed Hoffman and Russ Boone are candidates. Steve Mason and Duane Weinbender are outstanding in veteran defensive unit. **WASHBURN**—Coming off an 8-3 season and a victory in the Boot Hill Bowl, the future looks bright, with 34 lettermen back and only five starters missing. Return of 6-4, 245-pound Bob Behrens, an All-Conference lineman two years ago, should give squad its heaviest outlook in years. All starters in backfield return, led by Mike Grogan, who passed for 820 yards and 10 touchdowns as frosh. **FORT HAYES STATE**—A young offensive unit holds the key to improving on the 1-9 record. Quarterback Greg Custer, throwing to Ron Hawley, twice all-conference, gives good air attack with Craig Horchem, Blan Johnson and Mike Leiker as experienced runners. Safety Bruce Van Petten is only proven defensive back. **SOUTHERN COLORADO**—The Indians won three games for Coach Mike Friedman's debut, but a year of experience offers optimism. Receivers Clyde Kenebrew and Tom Guinane will be catching from Royal Hurst, Greg Johnson and Bob Blaser. Ray Brown, the club's top gainer, returns to key offense. Defense is headed by linebackers Norm Fleischauer, the leading tackler, and Vince Bell. **KANSAS ST. (Pittsburg)**—Gorillas return quarterback Rusty Hamilton, slotback Randy Fruits and fullback Jack Crumbliss behind veteran line. Steve Simomns, Dan Bowden and Steve Pazzie are top defensive returners from 4-7 season. **EMPORIA STATE**—When a 2-7 teams loses heavily through graduation, it has troubles and the Hornets are in that spot. Veteran backfield men are Gary D'Aries, Bob Ginivan, Eric Johnson and Greg Ptacek, with triple-threat Ginivan probably going to quar-

terback. **KEARNEY STATE**—In their last year before they gain full participation membership in the conference, the Antelopes are expected to be tough, after their 7-2 season. Tailback Dave Burke and running back Randy Butts gained 160 yards a game last year and quarterback Dick Schwenka completed half his passes.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN CONFERENCE

WESTERN STATE—Wolfgang Taylor, who has missed only six of 92 extra point tries, may be key to Mountaineer title defense hopes. Quarterbacks Steve Phillips and Lance Roberts return, but line is green. Middle guard Joe Schultheis leads defense.

WESTMINSTER—Steve Herrscher at linebacker and Brandy Booth at safety top defense with NAIA All-America receiver Craig Cladwell, quarterback Walt Sturkey and All Conference guard Glen Martinez leading offense. **SOUTHERN UTAH**—The RMAC's top passing combination, Jerry Dyer to Williard Urie, spark the offense, while Tim Galthier is the leader in the secondary. Offensive line is inexperienced and backs lack good speed. **FORT LEWIS**—All-Conference performers Wes Arrighetti at defensive end; Mark Antolik at middle linebacker and cornerback Aubrey Taylor make Raiders tough. All-Conference tackle Bob DeGuelle returns to bolster line in front of senior quarterback John Chisholm and Ron Trujillo.

ADAMS STATE—The entire offensive backfield left with the 17 seniors graduating, so the veteran defense will have to hold the team together to improve. Transfers hold the rebuilding key with Dave Johnston, a transfer from Colorado, probably getting the quarterback nod. **WESTERN NEW MEXICO**—A new coach in Jim Walker and a new pro-type offense kindle hopes for a better year for the Mustangs, who return 35 lettermen, but no cinch starters in the reshuffling. **COLORADO MINES**—The Orediggers improved from 0-9 to 3-7 last year and Coach Marv Kay has hopes of spoiling a few Saturday afternoons for RMAC foes, with 30 lettermen returning. However, the Orediggers traditionally jell late in the season, too late for the championship race.



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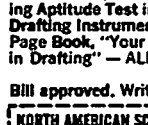
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Big Sky

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Youthful sports reporter for Montana Missoulian, John Blanchette views the Big Sky football conference action.



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The Big Sky Conference is still in Division II, but league members will certainly be trying harder this season.

Trying harder to catch Boise State, that is.

Whether they succeed will depend a good deal on how Bronco Coach Tony Knap makes out in a job he says "is bound to be a failure."

Boise's Mr. Statistic, All-America quarterback Jim McMillan, must be replaced after taking his 310 yards per game in total offense with him to the pro ranks.

McMillan, a preacher's son who accounted for more than half of the Bronco offensive output, isn't the only cast member missing for Boise's try for a third consecutive Big Sky show-stopper. The Broncos suffered some notable losses defensively.

But after Boise State's Big Sky feasts (12-0 in conference play) and close post-season calls with eventual Division II champs Louisiana Tech and Central Michigan the past two seasons, Knap's underdog counterparts are seating Boise State at the head of the table.

Knap is casting wary glances over his shoulder at a number of foes, most notably Weber State, which should take advantage of a fine recruiting season ("They just smoked us," Knap said) and a

favorable schedule to capture second.

Depth, an exciting quarterback in soph Steve Tosches and the return of nine starters from the second-best defense in the conference last year make Idaho State a definite contender, while Montana State, runnerup the past two years, must fill some large holes in the offensive line and the linebacking corps.

Idaho Coach Ed Troxel, in his second season at the Vandal helm, expects to improve on last year's 2-8-1 mark, but the Vandals will have to get some muscle defensively or resign themselves to a season of having turf kicked in their faces.

Thin on the lines is the word from Montana, although a truckload of running backs gives the Grizzlies hope. Joe Salem will spend most of his first year at Northern Arizona fretting about depth and trying to implement the wishbone offense.

BOISE STATE—Understudy Lee Huey and junior Greg Stern (6-4, 205) are the top pretenders to the throne of McMillan, the league's offensive MVP, but Knap has decided to try to run more.

The Broncos will probably rely on second team all-league running back John Smith, who averaged 6.4 yards a carry last season, as well as Ron Emry, Bob Cleveland and Dom Sims. McMillan's pass targets remain, too, in junior Mike Holton (64 catches, 1080 yards, 13 TD) and senior John Crabtree (40 catches, 6 TD). Both were All-Conference performers.

Tackle Greg Palin is lost from last year's offensive line, but Glenn Sparks (6-2, 230) returns

to lead a unit Knap claims should be deeper.

The Broncos were tops in defense, too, last season and had their best success against the rush. All-league tackle Saia Misa Jr. (6-0, 235) returns and will get help from Pete Poumele (230) and Mark Humphries (6-2, 225).

Graduation hurt Boise the most at linebacker and in the secondary, where Ron Davis, Loren Schmidt, Rolly Woolsey and Pat King leave some large shoes to be filled.

Barry Munson (6-2, 210) and Gary Gorrell (6-3, 220) appear to be linebacking standouts, while Clint Sigman and Gary Rosolowich anchor the deep backs. Sigman and Gorrell also handle Boise's placement and punting duties.

Knap went heavily to the junior college well to replace those graduated starters, but the loss of the irreplaceable McMillan, who twice took the Broncos to post-season appearances, could be Boise's doom, despite improvement on the line or in the backfield.

WEBER STATE—There's a lot of "gwinning" being done in the Wildcat camp, thanks to the schedule makers and Coach Dick Gwinn's success in coaxing athletes to Ogden.

The Wildcats will play four of six league games at home and rapid improvement from recruits in the offensive line and defensive backfield could spell title for the Wildcats, cellar tenants last year.

The next-best passer in the league, Ross Goddard, has left, but hometown Bobby Martin, a redshirt, is a proven performer at

quarterback after two years at Iowa State. Senior Kermit Musseau should challenge Martin.

Originally walk-ons, All-Conference fullback Chad Drecksel and Don Reddic are now stars in the Wildcat backfield, teaming for 1345 yards last year. Paul Jackson and Blake Smith (6-1, 221) will lend support should Drecksel have problems recovering from a broken ankle sustained in the off-season. Converted quarterback Rod Bockwoldt (6-2, 190) and tight end Vern Jackson (6-3, 215) will be the major pass threats.

Four starting linemen were lost to graduation and Gwinn hopes to find strength in numbers after bringing in seven newcomers. All-Conference second team guard Steve Kelly (6-2, 240) and center Kip Hunter (6-2, 215) lead the chase for starting spots.

Lorenzo Townsend (6-2, 240) returns on the defensive line, which will include a pair of for-

mer offensive trenchmen who sat out last season with injuries, Ted Bellinger and Ed Spann.

Gwinn makes use of four linebackers and should have plenty to go around, led by senior Dean Askew and juniors Walt Hays and John McIver. Big Sky interception leader Orin Trussell returns in the secondary which will be bolstered by four newcomers.

IDAHO STATE—For the first time in Coach Bob Griffin's four years in Pocatello, a veteran quarterback graced the Bengals' spring drills. Steve Tosches won three 11th-hour games for the Bengals and Griffin has an able backup in Randy Cantrell, the second-ranked JC thrower last year.

Kevin Crocker (6-1, 205) is set at one running back spot and should get help from Louie Mitchell, Scott Butterfield and fullback Scott Harris. The return after a year's absence of All-Conference performer Dave Shulz should provide air support.

All-league guard John Roman is gone, but Griffin thinks he has the loop's best center in Rich Rodgers (6-0, 200). Elsewhere, the jobs are open.

Matt Kendon and Ray Naworal, both all-league selections on the defensive line, leave big vacancies, but Griffin is confident that tackles Rick Moore (6-2, 260) and Ota Tabron (6-2, 240) and nose guard Mike Lugauskas (230) can handle matters.

Nor does Griffin fret about the linebackers and defensive backs. Linebacker Wayne Hill (217) was second-team all-league as a soph, while seniors Randy Rehrer and Dave Benko, a four-year starter, provide experience in the secondary.

Griffin says among his biggest worries is replacing kicking specialist Steve Beller, an all-league choice.

MONTANA STATE—Two years of playing bridesmaid to the Boise State juggernaut might have made the Bobcats a little long in the tooth, but it's inexperience that could halt the walk down the aisle this time.

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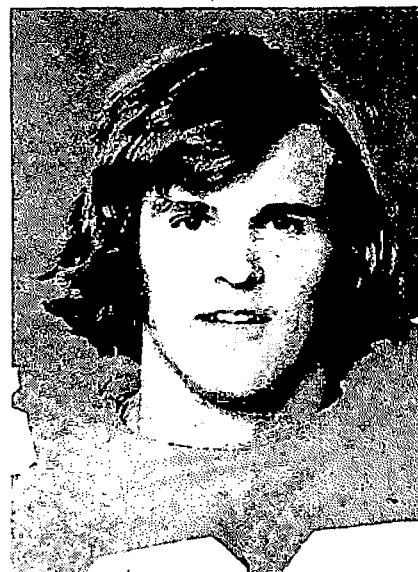
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The Bobcats still have muscle in the backfield. Tailback Steve Kracher averaged over 100 yards rushing per game and wound up as the leading runner in the league with 1034 yards, while fullback Roscoe Schmidt (6-2, 225) and Don Ueland are proven backs.

Senior quarterback Mike Holder has shared signal-calling duties with graduated Mike Dunbar for two years and Holland expects a great year from the 6-2, 200 pounder. Keith Swenson and soph Mark Schulte stand in reserve. They have able receivers in junior Bryan Flaig (31 catches, 536 yards, 6 TD) and tight end John McCaffrey.

Starters Les Leininger, Brad Daws and Dick Lyman (6-4, 260) return on the defensive wall, and a pair of 245-pounders, Steve Mullen and Don Wilson, will bat-

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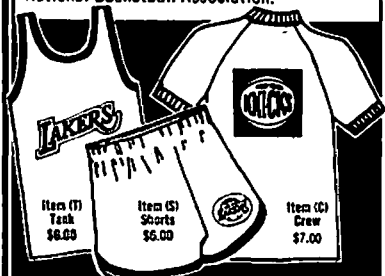
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tle for the spot vacated by Wayne Hammond, a 5th-round pro draft choice.

Seniors Randy Hickel and Bill Crowley give Holland two veteran cornerbacks, but the Bobcats are in need of a safety to replace All-Conference choice Steve Dodds, as well as some depth in the secondary.

Holland has one of the nation's premier kickers in senior Pat Bolton, who has connected on 25 of 41 field goal attempts and 65 of 74 PAT tries over the past two seasons.

IDAHO—The Vandals were 0-6 against nonconference foes, but managed an even split against Big Sky opponents. They could move up from their third place finish if they find the right combination against Boise, Montana State and Idaho State, which must visit Moscow.

Idaho's biggest problem last year was defense, the league's worst and particularly suspect against the rush, giving up 290 yards an outing on the ground.

Troxel is hoping a year of experience will have a favorable affect on the defense and is counting on support from freshmen and transfers. In the meantime, linebackers Kjel Kiilsgaard (6-2, 220), John Kirtland and Mike Siva (210) and defensive backs Bill Keilty and Chuck Love will have to improve. Craig Crnick

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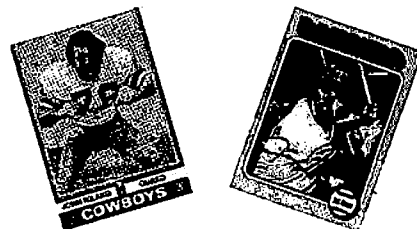
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(6-5, 250) and Jeff Skelly (6-5, 245) lead a senior-laden line.

Senior quarterback Dave Comstock is ready to run the Veer-T offense, although Marshall Brantley and Mark Fredback are gone from the potent Vandal running attack. Returning are all-conference fullback J. C. Chadband (758 yards, 6 TD) and Monty Nash.

The other all-league Vandal, tight end Steve Duncanson (6-3, 220) and wide receiver Tim Coles provide Comstock with able pass catchers.

Troxel's offensive line returns almost intact and has plenty of size, including a 6-5, 220-pound center in John Yarno. He is joined by tackles John Adams (6-2, 225) and Wil Overgaard (6-3, 220) and guard Mike Kramer (6-3, 244).

MONTANA—Lots of backs, but a shortage of blockers could give Coach Jack Swarthout some headaches.

The Grizzlies were titans of the trenches during the 10-0 seasons in 1969 and 1970, but the 1975 edition of the offensive line will be young and shorthanded.

Senior Walt Brett (6-5, 240) will try to stay injury-free, while junior Dan Sullivan (6-6, 230) moves from guard to tackle, Mark Plum (6-2, 230) will shift from defensive tackle to guard.

Counting on holes from the line are speedy halfbacks Del Spear and Wyatt McCraw, the leading rushers last year. Redshirt Rich Jordan, Randy Ogden and newcomer Paul Fiskness will press for starting spots. JC fullbacks Mike Mickey and Rusty Vincent looked good in spring practice—good enough to convince Swarthout to move Steve Dionas (6-2, 220) to linebacker.

Second-team all-league quarterback Rock Svennungsen has graduated, leaving senior Van Troxel (son of the Idaho coach) and JC transfer Dan Accomando to handle the quarterback chores. Tight end Duane Walker is as good a pass catcher as there is in the league, while Paul Cooley and Rick Muse are the top candidates at wide receiver.

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ing corps, with John Buxton, Bill Gulbranson and Hayes Milliman handling the outside spots. Joe Smith, a transfer from Pasadena City College, could make fans forget middle backer Ron Rosenberg, the league's defensive MVP and a 13th-round draft pick.

Greg Carter and Greg Anderson, the nation's leading punt and kickoff returner, head an able secondary, while Greg Harris (6-3, 240) could be pro material in the defensive line.

NORTHERN ARIZONA—Lumberjack Athletic Director Hand Anderson brought in a winner when he hired Coach Joe Salem to replace Ed Peasley, but NAU may not see immediate results.

Salem has the task of implementing new offensive and defensive systems while inheriting a team long on youth and short on depth. The Lumberjacks' only All-Conference player, second team defensive lineman Bruce Ivor, is gone, as is most of the offensive line.

Salem won 30 of his last 37 games at South Dakota with the wishbone attack, but he'll need some linemen to go with Charlie Brunk (6-2, 230) and Larry Friedrichs (6-2, 225) to make it work.

Freshmen Dan Troup and Charlie Helms split time at quarterback last year, but Salem says junior Randy Berry and JC transfer Robby Schmitz are battling for the number one spot. Behind them are fullback Jerry Wallace (5-11, 210), tailback Robert Fowler, who came on late last year, and senior Jerry Davis.

Among the top recruits are freshmen backs Ray Smith and Harold Smith, split receiver Tyrone Peterson and quarterback Chris Calcagno.

Junior college transfers David Bryant (6-2, 215) and Mike Bail (6-3, 230) should bolster the line, while the linebacking team of Willie Pringle (6-2, 225), Mike Mauger (225) and Don Rowell returns, although juggling will be needed to accommodate Salem's 5-2 defense.

Paul Arslanian is the only loss in the secondary, but Salem has some young talent available, particularly transfer Don Beachum.

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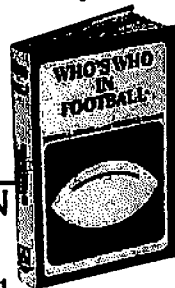
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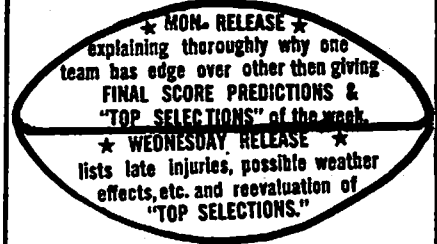
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AKRON Ohio 5-6	Marshall S 6 7-17 ★●F West Mich. F	Dayton ●U	Central State 31-20 ★●	Delaware 0-14 U	Northern Michigan 23-0	Temple ★●U	Youngstown 0-30	Indiana State 22-21 ★●U	Ball State 26-21 ★●F	West Carolina 17-21 Davidson N 22 30-0 ★●F
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ARIZONA Tucson 0-2		U. of Pacific ★●F	Wyoming 21-14 ●F	Northwestern ★●F	El Paso 43-13 ●●F	Texas Tech 2-17 ★●F	New Mexico 15-10 ★●F	Brigham Young 12-37 ●F	San Diego St. 17-10 ●T	Colorado State 34-31 ●F Utah N 22 41-8 ★●F Arl. St. N 23 10-0 ●●F
ARIZONA STATE Tempe 7-5	Washington ★●U	Texas Christian 37-7 ●F	Brigham Young 18-21 ★●●F	Idaho ★F	New Mexico 41-7 ●●F	Colorado State 26-21 ●F	El Paso 37-31 ★●●F	Utah 32-0 ●F	Wyoming 16-10 ★●●F	Pacific ★●F Arizona N 23 0-10 ★●U
ARKANSAS Fayetteville 6-4-1	Air Force Academy (Little Rock) ●T	Oklahoma State 1-23 U	Tulsa 60-0 ★F	Texas Christian (Little Rock) 49-0 ●●●F	Baylor 17-21 ●●F	Texas 7-33 ★●U	Utah State (Little Rock) ●F	Texas A&M 10-30 ●●U This game DEC. 6 (Little Rock)	Rice 25-6 ●F	SMU 24-24 Texas Tech Nov. 23 21-13 ★●F
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DRAKE 3-7-1 Des Moines, Iowa	New Mex. 86 29-23 ★ ★ N. Tex. State 24-24 ★	Louisville 28-35 ★ ★	Northeast Louisiana ★	Northern Iowa 17-41 ★	West Texas State 17-37 ★ ★	Long Beach State 13-20 ★	Southern Illinois U	Tulsa 14-52 + U	Wichita St. ★ ★	Wichita St. Nov. 22 ★ ★
DUKE 6-5 Durham, N.C.	Southern California ★	South Carolina 20-14 ★	Virginia 27-7 ★ ★	Pittsburgh T	Army 23-14 F	Clemson 13-17 ★ ★	Florida 13-30 U	Georgia Tech. 9-9	Wake Forest 23-7 + F	N.C. State 21-35 ★ ★ North Carolina Nov. 22 13-14 ★ ★
EAST CAROLINA UNIV. 7-4 Greenville, N.C.	N.C. St. 86 20-24 ★ ★ Appalachian 21-23 ★ ★	William & Mary 21-10 ★ ★	Southern Illinois 17-16 U	Richmond 20-23 ★ ★	Citadel 41-21 + U	Western Carolina ★	North Carolina U	Furman 15-12 ★ ★	Virginia U	V.M.I. Nov. 22 3-13 ★ ★
EASTERN KENTUCKY 8-2 Richmond	Dayton 17-23 ★	Chattanooga F	East Tennessee 21-20 ★ ★	Austin Peay 22-9 ★ ★	Middle Tennessee 21-17 ★ ★		Western Kentucky 24-34 ★ ★	Murray State 30-16 + F	Tennessee 20-14 ★ ★	Ashland 34-23 Morehead St. Nov. 22 21-14 + F
EASTERN TENNESSEE 4-6-1 Johnson City	Western Carolina T		Eastern Kentucky 20-21 ★ ★	Western Kentucky 0-24 + U	Appalachian 7-16 ★ ★		Murray State 3-17 ★ ★	Tennessee Tech. 13-0 + U	Morehead State 13-0 + F	Middle Tenn. 17-7 ★ ★ A. Peay N. 22 13-13 + F Chattanooga Nov. 22 ★
EL PASO 4-7 Texas	S. Diego 86 13-28 ★ ★ New Mex. St. 15-14 ★ ★			U. of Pacific 14-17 ★	Arizona 13-43 ★ ★	Wyoming 35-13 + U	Arizona State 31-27 ★ ★	New Mexico 21-37 + U	Colorado State 24-56 ★ ★	Hawaii ★ Brig. Young Nov. 24 21-15 ★ ★
FLORIDA 3-3 Gainesville	Southern Methodist ★ ★	North Carolina State ★	Mississippi State (Jackson, Miss.) 29-13 ★ ★	Louisiana State 24-14 ★ ★	Vanderbilt 10-24 ★ ★	Florida State 24-14 ★ ★	Duke 30-13 ★	Auburn 25-14 + U	Georgia (Jacksonville) 16-17 + F	Kentucky 21-11 Miami N. 22 31-7 ★
FLORIDA STATE 1-10 Tallahassee	Texas Tech. ★	Utah State ★ ★	Iowa State ★ ★	Georgia Tech. U	Virginia Tech. 21-56 U	Florida 14-24 U	Auburn 6-38 ★ ★	Clemson U	Memphis State 14-42 ★	Miami (Fla.) 21-14 ★ ★ Houston N. 22 8-23 ★
FRANKLIN & MARSHALL 9-0 Lancaster, Pa.		Hamilton 14-0 ★	Urbana 45-6 ★	Johns Hopkins 63-13	Swarthmore 70-0	Dickinson 54-13 +	Widener 26-22 +	Lobanov Valley 47-7 ★	Moravian 40-28 +	Muhlenberg 47-13 ★ ★
FRESNO STATE 5-7 California	Fullerton 25-0 ★ ★ New Mexico ★	Northridge 41-0 ★ ★	Montana State 7-14 U	Cal Tech. 19-17 ★	San Diego St. 21-24 ★ ★	Long Beach 24-33 ★ ★	U. of Pacific 37-21 + U	San Jose St. 7-23 ★ ★	Wichita State 24-13 ★	Los Angeles ★ ★
FURMAN 5-6 Greenville, S.C.	Tennessee Tech. ★	Richmond 24-14 + F	Appalachian 3-27 ★ ★	Virginia Military 0-7 ★ ★	Presbyterian 22-19	Holy Cross ★	William & Mary 10-0 + F	East Carolina 12-15 + U	Western Carolina ★	Citadel 0-24 Wofford N. 22 31-10 U
GEORGIA 6-5 Athens	Pittsburgh ★	Mississippi 14-33 ★ ★	South Carolina 53-14 ★	Clemson 24-28 ★	Mississippi 49-0 + F	Vanderbilt 38-31 + F	Kentucky 24-30 ★ ★	Richmond ★	Florida (Jacksonville) 17-16 + U	Auburn 13-17 Ga. Tech. Nov. 22 14-34 U
GEORGIA TECH 5-5 Atlanta	South Carolina 35-20 ★	Miami (Fla.) ★	Clemson 17-21 ★	Florida State ★	Virginia Military ★	Auburn 22-31 ★	Tulane 21-7 ★	Duke 0-9 ★	Notre Dame 7-31 U	Navy 23-0 Georgia N. 22 24-14 ★
GETTYSBURG 4-5 Penn.	Wagner 7-20	Kings Point 7-3 ★	Lehigh 6-14 ★	Albright 14-17 ★	Western Maryland ★	Bucknell 21-14 ★	Lafayette 2-14 ★	Westminster 0-20	Princeton 34-17 ★ ★	Georgetown 27-0 F
HARVARD 7-2 Cambridge, Mass.			Holy Cross 24-14 ★	Boston Univ. ★	Columbia 34-6 ★ ★	Cornell 39-27 + F	Dartmouth 17-15 ★ ★	Pennsylvania 39-0 ★		Brown 7-10 + U Yale 21-16 + U
HAWAII 6-5 Honolulu	Texas A&I ★ ★	Grambling ★ ★		Butgers 23-15 U		Portland State ★ ★	Santa Clara 5-9 ★ ★	Fullerton ★ ★	Long Beach 23-21 ★	El Paso ★ ★ Pacific ★ ★ San Jose N. 22 11-33 ★ ★ Tennessee Dec. 6 ★ ★

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HOFSTRA Hempstead, N.Y.	1-8-1		Trenton State Nov. 23 22-13 ★★	Lafayette 7-17 T		Fordham 21-21 F	Seton Hall 13-14	Kings Point 0-35 U	Georgetown 20-40 ★F	N.Y. Tech N 14 0-0 Wagner N 21 7-41 Post N 27 17-37 ★T
HOLY CROSS Worcester, Mass.	5-5-1	Army 10-13 U	Harvard 14-24 T	Dartmouth 14-3 F	Colgate 10-21 ★F	Furman F	Brown 45-10 ★T	Boston Univ. 14-14 ★F	Massachusetts 30-20 F	Villanova 10-0 ★U Conn. N 23 23-14 Boston C. N 23 6-23 ★U
HOUSTON Texas	8-3	Lamar Sept. 6 ★★F 21-0 ★★F	Southern Methodist ★★U		North Texas State (Irving) ★F	Miami (Fla.) Oct. 17 5-20 ★U		Cincinnati 27-6 F	Virginia Tech 49-12 ★★F	Memphis 12-10 Florida State Nov. 23 23-0 ★★F Tulsa N 20 14-30 ★★U
IDAHO Moscow	3-3-1	Arkansas State ★U	Northern Arizona ★F	Idaho State 28-9 ★★U	Arizona State ★U	Boise State 29-53 ★★U	Montana 35-35 +F	Las Vegas ★U	Montana State 21-36 ★★U	Weber State 33-13 +U
IDAHO STATE Pocatello	5-5	Wyoming F	Las Vegas 7-13 ★★U	Idaho 9-28 ★★F	Arizona 15-20 ★★F	Montana 25-23 +F	Montana State 0-14 ★★F	Weber State 10-8 ★★U	Reno 15-7 F	Cal Tech 12-7 ★F
ILLINOIS Champaign	6-4-1	Iowa 12-14 +F	Missouri ★F	Texas A&M U	Washington State 21-19 ★F	Minnesota 17-14 ★★F	Purdue 27-23 ★★F	Michigan State 21-21 +U	Wisconsin +U	Ohio State 7-49 ★★U
INDIANA Bloomington	1-10	Minnesota 34-3 ★★U	Nebraska T	Utah ★F	North Carolina State T	Northwestern 22-24 +F	Iowa ★+F	Michigan 7-21 +U	Ohio State 9-49 +U	Michigan State 10-19 ★★U
INDIANA STATE Terre Haute	5-5	Eastern Michigan ★F	Southern Illinois 10-6 U		Ball State 31-25 F	Northern Illinois 23-14 ★★F	Dayton ★★U	Illinois State 7-15 ★F	Akron 21-22 ★F	Omaha ★U
IOWA Iowa City	3-8	Illinois 14-15 ★★U	Syracuse F	Penn State 0-27 ★U	Southern California 2-41 ★U	Ohio State 10-35 +U	Indiana +U	Minnesota 17-23 ★★U	Northwestern 35-10 +F	Wisconsin 15-25 ★★U
IOWA STATE Ames	4-7	UCLA ★U	Air Force Academy ★U	Florida State ★F	Utah F	Kansas State 23-18 +F	Kansas 23-0 ★★F	Oklahoma 10-23 +U	Colorado 7-24 ★★F	Missouri 7-10 ★★U
KANSAS Lawrence	4-7	Washington State 14-7 ★U	Kentucky U	Oregon State ★U	Wisconsin U	Nebraska 0-56 +U	Iowa State 6-23 +U	Oklahoma State 13-24 ★★U	Kansas State 20-13 ★★U	Oklahoma 14-45 +U
KANSAS STATE Manhattan	4-7	Tulsa 21-14 ★U	Wichita State 17-0 ★F	Wake Forest ★F	Texas A&M ★U	Iowa State 18-23 ★★U	Oklahoma 0-63 ★★U	Missouri 12-53 +U	Kansas 13-20 +F	Nebraska 7-35 ★★U
KENT STATE Ohio	7-4	Northeast Louisiana ★F	Virginia Tech ★U	Ohio Univ. 0-20 ★F	Northern Illinois +F	Western Michigan 25-6 +F	Bowling Green (Cleveland) 10-25 ★★F	Central Michigan 21-14 ★★F	West Virginia T	Marshall 25-7 ★F
KENTUCKY Lexington	6-5	Virginia Tech 23-7 ★F	Kansas ★F	Maryland ★F	Penn State U	Auburn 13-31 ★★U	Louisiana State 20-13 ★★U	Georgia 20-24 +U	Tulane 30-7 ★F	Vanderbilt 23-12 +U
KINGS POINT (Merch. Marine) New York	6-3	Coast Guard 14-14 F	Lafayette 17-13 ★F	Gettysburg 3-7 U	Fordham 17-6 ★★F		C. W. Post 14-35 +F	Wagner 17-7 ★★F	Hofstra 35-0 ★★F	N. Y. Tech 24-7
LAFAYETTE Baton Rouge, La.	3-7	Kings Point 18-17 U	Columbia 15-0 ★U		Hofstra 17-7 ★T	Bucknell 6-10 ★U	Pennsylvania Oct. 17 7-37 ★U	Colgate 18-24 T	Gettysburg 14-3 ★U	Rutgers 0-35 U
LAMAR UNIV. Beaumont, Tex.	6-3	Houston Sept. 6 ★★U West Tex. St. 9-7 ★★F	New Mexico State ★★U		Louisiana Tech 0-23 ★★U	Northeast Louisiana ★U	Southwest Louisiana 33-13 ★★F	Arkansas State 10-5 ★★U	Southern Mississippi 10-7 U	Arlington 8-0 ★★U
LEHIGH Bethlehem, Pa.	7-3	Millersville ★F	Army U	Pennsylvania 12-23 ★★U	Gettysburg 14-6 F	Rutgers 16-37 ★U	Delaware 7-14 +U	Maine 23-26 ★F	Colgate 33-12 ★F	Davidson 23-6 F
LONG BEACH STATE Calif.	6-5	R.W. Louisiana Sept. 6 ★★F North Illinois 14-10 F	Fullerton 23-6 ★★F	U of Pacific 6-33 ★★F	Southern Illinois 32-7	San Jose State 17-27 ★★F	Fresno State 22-24 ★★F	Drake 20-13 F		Hawaii 21-23 ★★T
LOS ANGELES STATE Calif.	5-4		Southern Utah 23-13 ★★	San Francisco State ★★		Riverside 22-25 ★★U	Cal Tech 10-44 ★★U	Pomona 22-22 ★★F	Asuka Pacific 6-3 ★U	Fusuo State Nov. 23 17-21 ★★U
LOUISIANA STATE UNIV. Baton Rouge	5-5-1	Nebraska U	Texas A&M 14-21 ★★U	Rice (Shreveport) 10-10 ★F	Florida 14-24 ★★U	Tennessee 20-10 +U	Kentucky 12-20 ★★F	South Carolina ★★F	Mississippi (Jackson, Miss.) 24-0 ★F	Alabama 0-50 ★★U
LOUISIANA TECH Baton	10-0	McNeese State 24-17 ★★F	Arlington 42-15 ★★F	Lamar 23-0 ★★F	Southwest Louisiana 35-20 ★★F	Northwest Louisiana (Shreveport) 24-0 ★F	Southern Mississippi ★★F	Southwest Louisiana 34-13 F	Northeast Louisiana 28-10 ★F	Chattanooga 35-14 ★★F
LOUISVILLE Kentucky	4-7	Drake 26-23 +F	Cincinnati 6-7 ★★T	Wichita State 14-7 ★★F		Memphis State 10-15 ★T	Mississippi State 7-53 ★★U	Tulsa 7-57 +U	Dayton 20-15 ★★T	N. E. La. Nov. 23 10-8 W. Tex. St. 10-8 Northwestern 7-14 F
MAINE Orono	4-8	Boston Univ. 6-7 ★★F	Massachusetts 0-42 +F	Bucknell 19-30 ★U	Rhode Island 29-19 +F	N. Hampshire 23-9 ★★U	Connecticut 7-0 ★★F	Lehigh 23-35 U	Delaware 13-29 ★U	
MARSHALL Huntington, W.Va.	1-10	Akron 17-7 Miami (O.) 0-43 ★U	Morhead 12-14 ★★F	Illinois State ★F	McNeese State ★U		Villanova U	Western Michigan 17-20 ★F	Central Michigan U	Kent State 7-33 U
MARYLAND College Park	8-3	Villanova 41-0 ★★F Tennessee ★U	North Carolina 24-13 +F	Kentucky U	Syracuse 31-0 ★F	North Carolina 20-10 ★★U	Wake Forest 47-0 +F		Penn State 17-24 ★U	Cincinnati F
MASSACHUSETTS Amherst	5-8	Maine 43-0 ★★U	Dartmouth 14-0 ★T	Northeastern ★U	Boston Univ. 21-14 ★★F	Rhode Island 17-7 ★★F	Connecticut 9-10 +U	Western Illinois	Holy Cross 20-30 ★U	N. Hampshire 27-17 Boston College Nov. 23 8-70 U
McNEESE Lake Charles, La.	6-4-1	Louisiana Tech 17-24 ★★U	Arkansas State 20-23 ★★F	Eastern Michigan 6-6 ★F	Marshall F	Arlington 42-0 ★★F	Northwest Louisiana 20-14 ★★	Dayton ★★T	Northwest Louisiana 17-7 ★★F	S.W. La. N 23 35-0 Lamar N 23 3-17 ★★F
MEMPHIS STATE Tenn.	7-4	Miss. St. 23-29 ★★U Auburn ★U	Cincinnati 12-7 ★F	Arkansas State ★★F	North Texas State 41-0 ★★F	Southern Mississippi 0-0 ★★F	Louisville 16-10 ★★T	Tulsa ★U	Wichita State 24-10 ★F	Florida State 42-14 ★F

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MIAMI Florida	6-6	Georgia Tech U	Oklahoma Sept. 26 * * U	Nebraska T	Colorado Oct. 10 * * F	Houston Oct. 17 20-3 * * F		Boston College U	Navy Nov. 7 * * F	Florida State 14-21 * * F Notre Dame Nov. 23 7-59 * * U Florida Nov. 25 7-31 * * U
MIAMI Ohio	9-0-1 43-0 * F	Michigan State U	Ball State * * F	Purdue U	Dayton U	Ohio Univ. 31-3 * * F	Bowling Green 34-10 + F	Toledo 33-23 * * F	Western Michigan 31-0 + F	Kent State 19-17 + F Cincinnati Nov. 23 37-7 * F
MICHIGAN Ann Arbor	10-1 24-20 + F	Stanford 27-15 * F	Baylor * F	Missouri * F	Michigan State 21-7 + F	Northwestern * * F	Indiana 31-7 * * F	Minnesota 49-0 + F	Purdue 51-0 * * F	Illinois 14-3 + F Ohio St. Nov. 23 10-13 * * F
MICHIGAN STATE East Lansing	7-3-1 18-13 * * U	Miami (O.) * F	North Carolina State * F	Notre Dame 14-19 U	Michigan 7-21 * * U	Minnesota + F	Illinois 31-31 * * F	Purdue 31-7 + F	Indiana 19-10 + F	Northwestern 41-7 * * F Iowa Nov. 23 60-31 + F
MINNESOTA Minneapolis	4-7 3-34 + F	Western Michigan * F	Oregon * F	Ohio Univ. * F	Illinois 14-17 + U	Michigan State * * U	Iowa 23-17 F	Michigan 0-49 * * U	Northwestern 13-21 * * F	Ohio State 19-34 + U Wisconsin Nov. 23 14-49 * * U
MISSISSIPPI University, Miss.	3-8 Baylor Texas A&M U	Tulane 28-10 * F	Southern Mississippi 20-14 * F	Alabama (Birmingham) 21-35 + U	Georgia 0-49 * * U	South Carolina (Jackson, Miss.) 7-10 T	Vanderbilt 14-24 * * U	Louisiana State (Jackson, Miss.) 0-34 + U		Tennessee 17-29 * * U Miss. St. Nov. 23 (Jackson, Miss.) 13-31 + U
MISSISSIPPI STATE College, Miss.	8-3 Memphis State Sept. 6 29-23 * F	Georgia 23-14 + F	Florida (Jackson, Miss.) 13-29 + * U	Southern Mississippi * F	Rice * F	North Texas State * F	Louisville 56-7 * F	Alabama (Jackson, Miss.) 0-35 + * U	Auburn 39-34 + U	LSU 7-6 + * U Miss. Nov. 23 (Jackson, Miss.) 21-15 + F
MISSOURI Columbia	7-4 Alabama (Birmingham) * U	Illinois U	Wisconsin 20-59 * U	Michigan U	Oklahoma State 7-31 * * F	Colorado 30-24 + F	Kansas State 53-15 * * F	Nebraska 31-10 * * F	Iowa State 10-7 + F	Oklahoma 0-37 * * U Kansas Nov. 23 37-3 + F
MONTANA Missoula	3-6-1 South Dakota 10-34 U		Las Vegas 17-20 * U	Weber State 24-13 + * U	Idaho State 23-25 * * U	Idaho 35-35 * * U	Montana State 29-43 + U	Boise State 42-58 + U	Portland State 24-14 * F	No. Arizona 27-14 + F Fraser Nov. 23 14-23
MONTANA ST. Bozeman	7-3 Portland 29-4 North Dakota 14-34 * U	North Dakota State 34-14 F	Fresno State 14-7 * F	Boise State 37-40 + * U	Weber State 10-23 * * U	Idaho State 14-0 + * U	Montana 43-23 * * F	Idaho 38-31 + * F	Northern Arizona 44-31 + F	Georgia Tech. 0-23 * * U Army Nov. 23 (Philadelphia) 19-0 F
NAVY Annapolis	4-7 Virginia 35-23 U	Connecticut * F	Washington U	Air Force Academy (Philadelphia) 18-19 T	Syracuse 9-17 * F	Boston College 0-37 * U	Pittsburgh 11-13 U	Notre Dame 6-14 U	Miami (Fla.) Nov. 7 * U	Georgia Tech. 0-23 * * U Army Nov. 23 (Philadelphia) 19-0 F
NEBRASKA Lincoln	8-3 Louisiana State Univ. * F	Indiana * T	Texas Christian * F	Miami (Fla.) * T	Kansas 56-6 * * F	Oklahoma State 7-3 + F	Colorado 31-15 * * F	Missouri 10-31 + U	Kansas State 35-7 + F	Iowa State 23-13 * * F Oklahoma Nov. 23 14-23 * * U
N. HAMPSHIRE Durham	5-4 West Chester * F	Boston Univ. Sept. 19 28-9 + * F	Delaware 10-34 * U	Connecticut 24-41 + F	Maine 9-23 + F	Central Connecticut * F	Northeastern 24-14 * F	Rhode Island 29-14 + F	Springfield 27-13 F	Massachusetts 17-37 * * F
NEW MEXICO Albuquerque	4-7 Fresno State * * F	Fresno Tech 21-21 * U	Colorado State 22-23 * * F	Brigham Young 3-35 + U	Arizona State 7-41 * * U	Utah 10-21 * * F	Arizona 10-15 + U	El Paso 37-21 * * F	San Jose State 11-13 * T	Wyoming 22-31 * * F New Mex. St. Nov. 23 24-24 * F
NEW MEXICO STATE Las Cruces	5-6 Drake 28-29 El Paso 14-15 * U	Lamar * F	Southwest Louisiana * F	Tulsa 7-33 * * U	Wichita State 13-13 + * F	San Diego State 14-35 * U	Arlington 42-14 * F		West Texas State 41-0 + U	North Texas 19-24 * * F New Mexico Nov. 23 24-24 * U
NORTH CAROLINA Chapel Hill	7-4 East Carolina Sept. 6 24-20 Waco Forest 23-15 * * F	Maryland 12-24 * * U	Ohio State U	Virginia 24-10 + U	Notre Dame * U	North Carolina State 33-14 + U	East Carolina * F	Wake Forest 31-0 * * F	Clemson 3-54 * * U	Tulane 14-13 + U
NORTH CAROLINA STATE Raleigh	9-2 East Carolina Sept. 6 24-20 Waco Forest 23-15 * * F	Florida * * F	Michigan State U	Indiana * T	Maryland 10-20 + F	North Carolina State 14-33 * * F	Clemson 31-10 + F	South Carolina 42-37 * F	Penn State 12-7 U	Duke 35-31 + F
NORTH DAKOTA Grand Forks	6-4 Montana State 24-14 F	Augustana 37-38 * * F	Morningside 41-0 * * F	North Iowa 42-23 + * F	So. Dak. St. 6-55 * * F	No. Dak. St. 31-20 + F	South Dakota 24-37 + F	Mankato 35-27 + F	St. Cloud * F	
NORTH DAKOTA STATE Fargo	7-4 Omaha Sept. 6 3-0 * F	Montana State 14-34 * U	Northern Iowa 0-20 * * F	South Dakota State 22-0 + F	Augustana 23-14 + F	North Dakota State 29-31 * * U	Mankato 17-14 * * F	South Dakota 13-13 * * U	Morningside 15-7 + F	
NORTHERN ILLINOIS De Kalb	4-7 Long Beach 16-14 * U	Northwestern U	Western Michigan 13-30 + U	Kent State * * U	Indiana State 14-23 * U	Southern Illinois 17-7 * F	Hall State 21-31 * * U	Illinois State 14-24 U	Toledo 14-44 * * U	Cent. Michigan * U Idaho Nov. 23 27-31 * T
NORTH TEXAS STATE Denton	2-7-3 Arlington Sept. 4 Drake 34-24 U	San Diego State 14-9 * U	Oklahoma State U	Memphis State 0-41 * U	Houston (Irving) * * U	Mississippi State U	Tennessee U			New Mex. St. 24-19 * U West Texas State Nov. 23 14-21 * * F
NORTHWESTERN Evanston, Ill.	3-8 Purdue 23-31 * * U	Northern Illinois * F	Notre Dame 3-49 U	Arizona * U	Indiana 24-23 * * U	Michigan + U	Wisconsin 7-63 + U	Iowa 10-35 * * U	Minnesota 21-13 + U	Michigan St. 7-41 * U Illinois Nov. 23 14-23 * * U
NOTRE DAME Indiana	9-2 Boston College (Foxboro, Mass.) F	Purdue 30-31 F	Northwestern 49-3 * F	Michigan State 19-14 * F	North Carolina F	Air Force Academy 39-0 F	Southern California 24-55 * F	Navy 14-8 * F	Georgia Tech. 31-7 * F	Pittsburgh 14-10 * F Miami Nov. 23 33-7 * F
OHIO STATE Columbus	10-1 Michigan State 13-16 + F	Penn State * F	North Carolina * F	UCLA * F	Iowa 35-10 * * F	Wisconsin 52-7 * * F	Purdue + F	Indiana 49-5 * * F	Illinois 49-7 + F	Minnesota 24-19 * * F Michigan Nov. 23 13-10 + U
OHIO UNIV. Athens	6-5 Central Michigan + F	Ball State * * F	Kent State 20-0 * * U	Minnesota U	William & Mary U	Miami (O.) 3-31 + U	Toledo 19-19 + U	Western Michigan 26-3 * * F	Bowling Green 53-23 * * U	Cincinnati 15-63 * * U Marshall Nov. 23 35-0 * F
OKLAHOMA Norman	11-0 Oregon * F	Pittsburgh * F	Miami (Fla.) Sept. 26 * F	Colorado 49-14 * * F	Texas (Dallas) 15-13 F	Kansas State 63-0 + F	Iowa State 28-10 * * F	Oklahoma State 24-13 + F	Kansas 45-14 * * F	Missouri 27-0 * * F Nebraska Nov. 23 23-14 * * F
OKLAHOMA STATE Stillwater	6-5 Wichita State 59-0 * F	Arkansas 32-7 * F	North Texas State * F	Texas Tech. 13-14 * F	Missouri 31-7 + U	Nebraska 3-7 * * U	Kansas 24-13 + F	Oklahoma 13-24 * * U	Colorado 20-37 + F	Kansas State 29-5 * * F Iowa St. Nov. 23 14-13 + F
OREGON Eugene	3-8 Oklahoma U	San Jose State * * F	Minnesota U	Washington 0-66 * * U	California 10-40 * * U	Southern California 7-16 + U	Utah 23-16 * F	Washington State 16-31 + U	UCLA 0-31 * * U	Stanford 0-17 + U Oregon State Nov. 23 19-23 * * U
OREGON STATE Corvallis	3-8 San Diego State * F	Southern California Sept. 19 10-31 + * U	Kansas F	Grambling (Portland) * F	Colorado State * F	California 16-17 + U	Washington 23-9 + U	Stanford 13-17 * * U	Washington State 17-3 * * F	UCLA 14-23 * * F Oregon Nov. 23 35-16 + F

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PACIFIC U. of Stockton, Calif. 6-5	N.E. Louisiana Sept. 6 U. Cal. Davis ★★ F	Arizona ● U	Long Beach State 38-6 ●● U	El Paso 17-14 ★★ F	Fullerton ★● F	San Jose State 29-27 ●● U	Fresno State 21-37 ★★ F	San Diego State 9-37 ★●● U	Southwest Louisiana ● F	Arizona State 14-23 ● U
PENNSYLVANIA 6-3-1 Philadelphia			Lehigh 28-18 F	Brown 14-9 ★★ U	Dartmouth 27-20 ● U	Lafayette Oct. 17 37-7 ★★ F	Princeton 20-18 ● F	Harvard 0-39 ★★ U	Yale 12-37 ● U	Columbia 21-5 ● F Cornell N 22 28-23 ★★ F
PENN STATE 9-2 Univ. Park, Pa.	Stanford 24-30 ★ T	Ohio State U	Iowa 27-0 F	Kentucky ★ F	West Virginia 21-12 ★ F	Syracuse 30-14 F	Army 21-14 ★ F	Maryland 24-17 F	North Carolina State 7-12 ★ F	Temple Pittsburgh Nov. 23 21-10 F
PITTSBURGH 7-4 Pa.	Georgia T	Oklahoma U	William & Mary ★ F	Duke ★ T	Temple 35-24 F	Army F	Navy 13-11 ★ F	Syracuse 21-13 F	West Virginia 21-14 F	Notre Dame 10-14 ● F Penn State Nov. 23 10-31 ★ U
PRINCETON 4-4-1 New Jersey			Buizers 8-8 ★ F	Columbia 40-13 ● F	Cornell 41-30 ● F	Colgate 33-24 ★ F	Pennsylvania 18-20 ★● U	Brown 13-17 ★● U	Harvard 17-34 ● U	Yale 6-19 ●● U Dartmouth Nov. 23 16-7 ★● U
PURDUE 4-3-1 Lafayette, Ind.	Northwestern 31-26 ● F	Notre Dame 31-20 ★ U	Southern California ● U	Miami (O.) 7-7 ● F	Wisconsin 14-28 ★● U	Illinois 23-27 ● U	Ohio State ●● U	Michigan State 7-31 ★● U	Michigan 0-51 ● U	Iowa 22-14 ●● F Indiana N 22 32-17 ● F
RHODE ISLAND 6-5 Providence	St. Mary's (Providence) ●	Northeastern 48-38 U	Brown 15-45 U	Maine 19-29 ★● U	C. W. Post ★ F	Massachusetts 7-17 ● U	Boston Univ. Oct. 24 13-7 ●● U	N. Hampshire ●● U	Temple 7-34 U	Connecticut 14-13 ★● U
RICE 3-8-1 Houston, Tex.	Houston 0-21 ● U	Vanderbilt ★● U	Louisiana State (Shreveport) 10-10 ● U		Mississippi State ★● U	Southern Methodist 14-10 ★●● U	Texas 6-27 ●● U	Texas Tech. 21-7 ● U	Arkansas 0-25 ★● U	Texas A&M 7-37 ★● U TOU N 22 28-14 ● U Baylor N 20 8-24 ★● U
RICHMOND 5-5 Virginia	Cincinnati U	Furman 14-24 ★● U	Virginia Tech. 7-21 U	East Carolina 23-20 ●● U	Ball State 23-38 ★ F	Virginia Military 17-14 ★● U	Appalachian 13-14 ● U	Georgia U	Citadel 27-24 ★● U	West Virginia 22-25 ● F Wm. & Mary Nov. 23 12-34 ● U
RUTGERS 7-3-1 New Brunswick, N.J.		Bucknell 16-14 ★ F	Princeton 6-6 U	Hawaii 16-28 ★ F	Lehigh 37-16 F	William & Mary 15-25 ★ U	Columbia ★ T	Connecticut 7-9 F	Lafayette 35-0 F	Boston Univ. 6-0 ● F Colgate N 22 23-21 ● F Syracuse Nov. 23 27-17 ★● F
SAN DIEGO STATE 8-2-1 Calif.	El Paso 36-12 ●● F Oregon State U	North Texas State 9-14 ★● F	Utah State 34-6 T	Fullerton ★●● F	Fresno State 24-21 ●● F	New Mexico 35-14 ★● F		U. of Pacific 37-9 ●● F	Arizona 10-17 ★● T	San Jose State 10-14 ●● F Long Beach Nov. 23 27-17 ★●● F
SAN JOSE STATE 8-3-1 Calif.	Santa Clara 47-10 ★● F	Oregon ● U	Stanford 21-21 U	California 16-17 U	Long Beach State 27-17 ●● U	U. of Pacific 37-29 ★●● F	Fullerton 49-8 ★●● F	Fresno State 38-7 ●● F	New Mexico 13-11 ★● T	San Diego State 14-40 ★●● U Hawaii N 20 23-11 ● T
SOUTH CAROLINA 4-7 Columbia	Georgia Tech. 20-35 ★● U	Duke 14-20 U	Georgia 14-52 ★● U	Baylor ★● U	Virginia ★● F	Mississippi 10-7 T	Louisiana State ● U	North Carolina State 27-22 U	Appalachian 27-18 ★ U	Wake Forest 14-31 ● F Olemiss N 23 21-29 ★ U
SOUTH DAKOTA 9-3 UNIV. Vermillion	Cameron 32-23 ●★ Montana 24-10 F	Wisconsin U	River Falls ★	Augustana 14-7 ★★	Morningside 49-21 ★★	South Dakota State 6-20 ● U	North Dakota 37-24 ★● U	North Dakota 12-13 ● F	Northern Iowa 26-14 ●●	Mankato St. 40-57 ●★
SOUTH DAKOTA 6-5 STATE Brookings	Mankato St. 45-14 ●★	Omaha ●	Augustana 35-5 ●	North Dakota State 0-23 ★● U	North Dakota 55-6 ● U	South Dakota 4-30 ★● U	Morningside 27-8 ●	Northern Idaho 21-22 ★★	Las Vegas 21-24 ● U	Youngstown 21-35 U
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 9-1-1 Los Angeles	Duke Sept. 12 ●● F	Oregon State Sept. 19 31-10 ★●● F	Purdue ★● F	Iowa 41-3 F	Washington State 54-7 ★★ F	Oregon 16-7 ★★ F	Notre Dame 55-24 U	California 15-15 ● F	Stanford 34-10 ★● F	Washington 48-11 ● F UCLA N 23 54-0 ★●● F
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS 2-9 Carbondale	Southwest Louisiana ●	Indiana State 8-10 ★ F	East Carolina 10-17 ★ F	Long Beach State 7-33 ★ U	Illinois State 10-31 F	Northern Illinois 7-17 F	Wichita State ★ F	Drake ★ F	Arkansas State (Little Rock) 18-41 ● U	Bowling Green ★ U Lamar Nov. 23 ● F
SOUTHERN METHODIST 6-4-1 Dallas, Tex.	Wake Forest Sept. 6 Florida ●● U		Houston ● F	West Virginia ★ F	Texas Christian 33-13 ★★ F	Rice 19-14 ●● F	Texas Tech. 17-20 ● U	Texas 15-35 ★● U	Texas A&M 18-14 ● U	Arkansas 24-24 ★● U Baylor N 22 14-51 ● U
SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI 6-5 Hattiesburg	Weber State ● U	Bowling Green 20-33 U	Mississippi 14-20 U	Mississippi State U	Memphis State 6-0 ● U	Arlington 39-10 ● F	Louisiana Tech. ● U	Lamar 7-10 ★ F		Alabama 0-53 U Fullerton Nov. 23 ● F Baylor Young Nov. 23 ★ T
STANFORD 5-4-3 Calif.	Penn State 20-24 T	Michigan 16-37 U	San Jose State 21-21 ★ F	Army ★ F	UCLA 15-13 ★★ F	Washington 24-17 ● F	Washington 20-18 ★● U	Oregon State 17-13 ● F	Southern California 10-24 ● U	Oregon 17-5 ●● F California Nov. 23 22-20 ★● F
SYRACUSE 2-0 New York	Villanova ★ F	Iowa ★ U	Tulane ● U	Maryland 0-31 U	Navy 17-9 U	Penn State 14-30 ★ U	Boston College 0-45 ★ U	Pittsburgh 13-21 ★ U		Virginia 11-39 ● F Butgers Nov. 23 F
TEMPLE 2-2 Phila., Pa.	West Virginia 35-31 F	Boston College 34-7 ★ U		Cincinnati 20-22 ★ U	Pittsburgh 24-35 ★ U	Akron ● F	Delaware 21-17 U	Dartmouth F	Rhode Island 33-7 ★ F	Penn State U Drake Nov. 23 ● F Villanova N 27 (Philadelphia) 17-7 F
TENNESSEE 6-3-2 Knoxville	Maryland ★● F	UCLA Sept. 19 17-17 ● T	Auburn 0-21 ★● U		Louisiana State 10-20 ★● F	Alabama (Birmingham) 6-23 ● U	North Texas State ★ F	Colorado State ★ F	Utah ★ F	Mississippi 29-17 ● F Kentucky N 22 24-7 ● F Vanderbilt Nov. 23 21-21 ● F Hawaii Dec. 6 ● F
TEXAS 8-3 Austin	Colorado State ★● F	Washington 35-31 F	Texas Tech. 3-25 ★●● F	Utah State ★● F	Oklahoma (Dallas) 19-18 U	Arkansas 38-7 ● F	Rice 27-6 ★●● F	Southern Methodist 35-15 ● F	Baylor 24-24 ★● F	TOU 31-16 ★● F Texas A&M Nov. 27 32-3 ● U
TEXAS A&M 8-3 College Station	Mississippi ★ F	Louisiana State 21-14 ● F	Illinois ★ F	Kansas State F	Texas Tech. 28-7 ●● F	Texas Christian 17-0 ● F	Baylor 20-0 ★● F		Southern Methodist 14-18 ★● F	Rice 27-7 ● F Texas N 23 3-53 ● F Arkansas (Little Rock) 20-10 ● F
TEXAS CHRISTIAN 1-10 Fort Worth	Arlington 12-3 ★● F	Arizona State 7-27 ★● U	Nebraska U	Arkansas (Little Rock) 0-49 ●● U	Southern Methodist 13-33 ● U	Texas A&M 0-17 ★● U	Alabama (Birmingham) 3-41 U	Baylor 7-21 ●● U	Texas Tech. 0-25 ★● U	Texas 12-21 ● U Rice N 23 14-25 ★● F

	Sept. 13	Sept. 20	Sept. 27	Oct. 4	Oct. 11	Oct. 18	Oct. 25	Nov. 1	Nov. 8	Nov. 15
TEXAS TECH Lubbock 6-4-1	Florida State ★ ★ F	New Mexico 21-21 ★ ★ F	Texas 23-3 + ★ U	Oklahoma State 14-13 U	Texas A&M 7-28 ★ ★ ★ U	Arizona 17-5 ★ U	Southern Methodist 20-17 ★ ★ F	Rice 7-21 ★ ★ F	Texas Christian 23-0 + F	Baylor 10-17 ★ ★ F Arkansas 13-21 + U
TOLEDO Ohio 6-5	West Carolina Sept. 6 ★ ★ Ball State + F	Villanova 10-7 U	Central Michigan ★ ★ ★ U	Dayton 32-27 ★ ★ U	Bowling Green 24-19 + U	Western Michigan (Cleve. Stad.) 31-24 + F	Ohio Univ. 19-16 ★ ★ F	Miami (O.) 22-33 + U	Northern Illinois 44-14 + F	Kent State Nov. 23 14-33 ★ ★ ★ U
TRINITY UNIV. San Antonio, Tex. 5-6-1	Doane Sept. 6 McPherson ★ ★	Monterey Tech. 0-0	Texas Lutheran 0-37 ★ ★ U	Millsaps 3-7 ★ ★	McMurry 17-14 ★ ★ F	Austin 0-3 ★ ★ F	Washington of Missouri	Sewanee 8-7 ★ ★	McMurry 7-18 2nd game	Mexico City 27-13
TULANE New Orleans, La. 5-6	Clemson U	Mississippi 10-23 ★ ★ U	Syracuse ★ ★ F	Vanderbilt 22-30 ★ ★ U	Boston College 3-27 ★ ★ U	West Virginia 17-14 F	Georgia Tech. 7-27 ★ ★ U	Kentucky 7-30 U	Air Force Academy 10-3 ★ ★ U	North Carolina ★ ★ F LSU N 23 23-24 ★ ★ U
TULSA Oklahoma 8-3	Kansas State 14-31 ★ ★ F	West Texas State 17-14 + ★ F	Arkansas 0-60 U	New Mexico State 23-7 + F	Cincinnati ★ ★ F	Wichita State 35-13 + ★ F	Memphis State ★ ★ F	Louisville 37-7 ★ ★ F	Drake 52-14 ★ ★ F	Indiana State ★ ★ F Houston 50-14 ★ F
UCLA Los Angeles, Calif. 6-3-2	Iowa State ★ ★ F	Tennessee 17-17 ★ ★ T	Air Force Academy F	Ohio State ★ ★ U	Stanford 13-13 + U	Washington State (Spokane) 17-13 + F	California 28-3 ★ ★ F	Washington 9-31 ★ ★ F	Oregon 21-0 + F	Oregon State ★ ★ F So. Calif. N 23 9-34 + ★ U
UTAH Salt Lake City 1-10	Utah State 0-34 ★ ★ U	Washington State ★ ★ U	Indiana U	Iowa State ★ ★ U	Wyoming 13-31 ★ ★ ★ U	New Mexico 21-10 + ★ U	Oregon 12-23 U	Arizona State 0-32 ★ ★ U	Tennessee U	Brig. Young 22-48 Arizona N 23 8-41 + ★ U
UTAH STATE 8-3 Logan	Utah 34-0 ★ F	Florida State ★ F	San Diego State 6-34 ★ T	Texas ★ U	West Texas State 21-16 ★ F	Weber State 20-7 ★ F	Arkansas (Little Rock) ★ U	Wyoming 17-7 ★ F	Brigham Young 9-6 ★ F	Bolsa State 9-6 Colorado St. Nov. 23 24-23 F
VANDERBILT Nashville, Tenn. 7-3-1	Chattanooga 23-6 ★ F	Rice ★ F	Alabama 10-23 ★ ★ U	Tulane 30-22 ★ F	Florida 24-10 + U	Georgia 21-38 ★ ★ U	Mississippi 24-14 + F	Virginia ★ F	Kentucky 13-38 ★ ★ F	Army 28-14 ★ F Tenn. N 23 21-31 + U
VILLANOVA 3-8 Pa.	Maryland Sept. 6 0-41 U	Toledo 7-10 ★ F	Army U	Boston College 7-55 ★ ★ U	Marshall ★ F	Delaware (Philadelphia) 7-49 U	Youngstown	Holy Cross 6-10 Boston Univ. Nov. 23 ★ F Temple N 27 (Philadelphia) 1-17 U		
VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE Lexington, Va. 7-4	Delaware ★ T	Virginia 10-23 F	Davidson 42-7 ★ ★ F	Furman 7-0 + F	Georgia Tech. U	Richmond 14-17 + F	Citadel 20-4 ★ ★ F	William & Mary 31-20 ★ ★ F	Virginia Tech. 22-17 East Carolina Nov. 23 10-3 Connecticut Nov. 23 F	
VIRGINIA TECH Blacksburg 7-4	Kentucky 7-33 U	Kent State F	Richmond 41-7 ★ F	Auburn U	Florida State 56-21 ★ ★ F	Virginia 27-23 ★ F	West Virginia 21-22 F	William & Mary (Norfolk) 34-15 ★ F	Houston 12-49 ★ U	VMI 17-23 Wake Forest Nov. 23 ★ F
VIRGINIA Charlottesville 4-7	Navy 28-35 ★ F	Virginia Military 23-10 ★ U	Duke 7-27 + U	North Carolina 10-24 ★ ★ F	South Carolina ★ ★ U	Virginia Tech. 23-27 U	Wake Forest 14-0 ★ ★ F	Vanderbilt U	East Carolina ★ F	Syracuse ★ T Maryland N 23 0-10 + U
WAKE FOREST Winston Salem, N.C. 1-10	SMU Sept. 6 ★ ★ U N.C. State 15-33 + ★ U	Appalachian ★ ★ U	Kansas State ★ ★ U	Clemson 6-21 + U	Maryland 0-47 ★ ★ U	Virginia 0-14 + U	North Carolina 0-31 + U	Duke 7-23 ★ ★ U	South Carolina 21-34 Va. Tech. Sept. 23 U	
WASHINGTON Seattle 5-6	Arizona State ★ F	Texas 21-35 ★ U	Navy ★ F	Oregon 66-0 + F	Alabama U	Stanford 17-34 ★ ★ U	Oregon State 8-23 ★ ★ F	UCLA 31-9 + U	California 26-52 + U	So. Calif. 11-43 Wash. St. N 23 24-17 ★ ★ F
WASHINGTON STATE Pullman 2-9	Kansas 7-14 F	Utah ★ F	California 33-37 ★ ★ U	Illinois 19-21 U	Southern California 7-64 + U	UCLA (Spokane) 13-17 + U	Stanford 13-20 + U	Oregon 21-16 ★ ★ F	Oregon State 3-17 + U	Idaho 17-10 Washington Nov. 23 17-24 + U
WEBER STATE Ogden, Utah 4-7	Southern Mississippi ★ ★ F	Western Illinois ★ ★	Bolsa State 14-42 ★ ★ ★ U	Montana 13-24 ★ ★ ★ F	Montana State 23-10 + F	Utah State 7-20 ★ ★ U	Idaho State 8-10 + ★ F	Northridge ★	Idaho 13-38 ★ ★ F	Las Vegas 19-23 No. Ariz. N 22 20-21 ★ ★ F
WESTERN KENTUCKY Bowling Green 7-3	Dayton Sept. 6 32-15 U	Illinois State ★ ★ F	Austin Peay 35-7 + ★ F	East Tennessee State 24-0 ★ ★ F	Tennessee Tech. 6-10 ★ ★ F	Eastern Kentucky 34-24 + U	Morehead State 38-0 ★ ★ F	Middle Tennessee 26-10 + F	Murray State Nov. 23 7-3 ★ ★ F	
WESTERN MICHIGAN Kalamazoo 3-8	Cent. Mich. S 6-43 Akron ★ F	Minnesota U	Northern Illinois 30-13 ★ ★ F	Bowling Green 13-21 + U	Kent State 6-23 ★ ★ U	Toledo (Cleveland) 24-31 + U	Marshall 20-17 U	Ohio Univ. 9-26 + U	Miami (O.) 0-31 ★ ★ U	Eastern Michigan 19-60 ★ F
WEST TEXAS STATE Canyon 6-5	Wichita 41-7 Lamar 7-9 ★ U	Tulsa 14-17 ★ ★ ★ U	Arlington ★ ★ F	Utah State 16-21 U	Drake 37-17 ★ ★ ★ F	Northwest Louisiana ★ F	New Mexico State 0-41 ★ ★ F	McNecce ★ U Louisville N 23 8-10 Tex. N 23 21-16 ★ U		
WEST VIRGINIA Martinsburg 4-7	Temple 21-35 ★ U	California U	Boston College 3-35 ★ U	Southern Methodist U	Penn State 12-21 U	Tulane 14-17 ★ U	Virginia Tech. 22-21 ★ U	Kent State ★ T	Pittsburgh 14-31 ★ U	Richmond 23-29 Syracuse N 23 23-11 U
WICHITA STATE Kansas 1-9-1	W. Tex. St. S 6-41 Oklahoma St. 0-59	Kansas State U	Colorado U	Louisville 7-14 ★ ★ ★ U	New Mexico State 12-13 ★ ★ ★ U	Tulsa 13-35 ★ ★ ★ U	Southern Illinois U	Memphis State 19-34 ★ ★ U	Fresno State 12-24 ★ ★ F	Drake 23-14 + U
WILLIAM & MARY Williamsburg 4-7	North Carolina U	East Carolina 10-31 + ★ U	Pittsburgh U	Citadel 16-21 + ★ U	Ohio Univ. ★ F	Rutgers 23-15 F	Furman 0-10 ★ ★ U	Virginia Tech. (Norfolk) 15-34 ★ U	Virginia Military 20-31 + U	Colgate ★ F Richmond N 23 54-13 ★ ★ U
WISCONSIN Madison 7-4	Michigan 30-24 ★ ★ U	South Dakota ★ ★ F	Missouri 59-50 F	Kansas ★ F	Purdue 28-14 + F	Ohio State 7-52 + U	Northwestern 52-7 ★ ★ F	Illinois ★ ★ F	Iowa 23-15 + F	Indiana 35-25 Minnesota N 23 49-14 ★ F
WYOMING Laramie 2-9	Idaho State ★ U	Colorado U	Arizona 14-21 ★ ★ U	Colorado State 6-11 ★ ★ U	Utah 31-13 + ★ F	El Paso 13-35 ★ ★ F	Brigham Young 7-38 ★ ★ U	Utah State 7-17 U	Arizona State 10-16 + ★ U	New Mexico 21-33 Air Force N 23 20-15 U
YALE New Haven, Conn. 8-1	Connecticut 20-7 ★ ★ F	Colgate 20-7 ★ F	Brown 24-0 + U	Columbia 42-2 + F	Cornell 27-3 ★ ★ F	Dartmouth 14-9 ★ ★ F	Pennsylvania 37-12 ★ ★ F	Princeton 15-0 Harvard N 23 15-21 ★ ★ F		
YOUNGSTOWN Ohio 8-1	Central (O.) 25-14 ★	Tenn. Tech. 23-0	West Illinois	North Mich. 24-10	Morehead	Akron 30-0	East Mich. ★	Villanova ★	So. Dak. St. 35-21 ★	

Case #R-052

James Chase tells us...

**"I hate to exercise
and I hate to diet
but I lost 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches
off my waistline...
13 lbs. and shaped up
in only 14 days!"**

"One simple 5 minute
(average) exercise,
twice daily, while lying on my
back, eating about 20% less,
but without giving up
the foods I love...
DID IT!"

**IT CREATES
STRONGER LEGS**
...Slims legs, firms and
strengthens thighs.

IT SLIMS YOUR HIPLINE
...Reduces and firms the
the hipline.

**IT INCREASES
CHEST SIZE**
...Adds inches, firms
and helps build an
athletic chest.

**IT SLIMS YOUR
WAISTLINE —**
Strengthens sagging
muscles, removes fat,
to flatten your tummy,
2 to 4 inches in 14 days.

**DEVELOPS A MORE
ATHLETIC APPEARANCE**
...Broadens shoulders,
strengthens arms and legs,
develops slimmer lines for a
more youthful looking body...
without rigid diets or
complicated exercises.

**HELPS BUILD
ENDURANCE...**
Stimulates your
metabolism to help
build greater energy...
vitality and
drive power.

"I saw and felt results in the first 3 days."

NO RIGID DIETING... NO COMPLICATED EXERCISES

Using this ingenious "5" Minute Total Body Shaper Plan for just 14 days has you starting to lose inches and pounds, adding muscle and vigor. Use it in the privacy of your own home. It has been used by athletes, businessmen.... anyone wanting that muscular athletic look fast. It's safe... Medically Approved... and Guaranteed!

Here are 6 reasons why this amazing plan can have you muscling and shaping up... in 14 days.

1. It Concentrates Its Slimming Action On Your Fatty Areas, Waist, Hips, Upper Thighs, that give you an aging look. Because it works most of your muscles gracefully at one time—not body part by body part—the Plan stimulates faster slimming action to help you start fashioning a more youthful looking figure in 14 days.

2. Simple to Use. No disrobing. Attach it to any door knob, stretch out comfortably on the floor. Do one '5' Minute continuous, rhythmic, enjoyable exercise, twice daily, whenever you have the time, even while watching TV.

3. Designed to Slim Fatty Problem Areas. Choose 4 different '5' Minute exercises, each created to help slim down the problem fatty deposit areas of your figure in 14 days.

4. No Rigid Dieting. We suggest you temporarily eat 20% less until you reach your normal weight, without giving up any of the foods you love — eat Ice Cream, Cakes, Pasta, whatever! (It's all in the guide.)

5. Safer and Saves Time. No more running to gyms for complicated, exhausting workouts that can strain you. This simple '5' Minute Plan, that you do at home, leaves you refreshed.

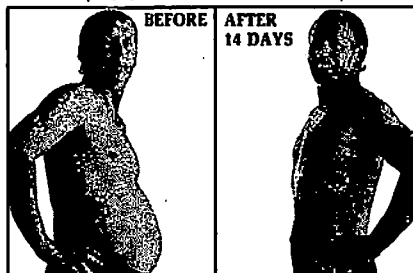
6. Weighs Only 10 Ounces. Fits any wallet size case. Stores anywhere. Travels with you so you never have to miss a slimming session. Remember, it's the daily sessions that firm, shape and fashion you a more youthful looking figure.

It's Fun With Results.... "5" Minutes And Out.

THE SECRET WHY IT BEATS FASTING ALONE, MAKING YOUR FIGURE LOOK YEARS YOUNGER.

Fasting programs, when causing weight loss, unlike our plan usually burn off more active tissue (muscles) which can cause your skin to wrinkle, muscles to sag and create dragging fatigue. Our Plan increases active tissue growth—through the use of the '5' Minute exerciser—while concentrating greater fat loss by (exercise and temporary

(PHOTOS CERTIFIED UNRETOUCHED)



**Weight: 218 lbs.
Waist: 44 $\frac{1}{4}$ in.**

**Weight: 205 lbs.
Waist: 37 in.**

20 percent food reduction) making you look years younger as you slim. Within the first '5' minutes you use the exerciser, you start burning off fat, speeding up your metabolism to help burn up stored calories, releasing excess water. Helps curb your appetite without suppressants. Increases energy and well being. It's so simple and enjoyable a plan to follow, we guarantee you can stay with it remaining slim without re-gaining those inches and pounds. It can put an end to your "gain-and-loss-cycles".

**USE OUR '5' MINUTE BODY SHAPER
PLAN FOR 14 DAYS AND WE GUARANTEE YOU
THESE RESULTS:**

"You Will Lose Inches and Pounds. Improve Your Vitality, Energy, Fitness, Posture, Work Off Body Tensions, Feel and Look Better and Younger — All To Your Satisfaction Within 14 Days — If You Follow Our Instructions — Or Your \$9.95 Will Be Refunded."

EXPERTS AND CUSTOMERS AGREE:
It's the no-nonsense way to shape up fast!

Scientific reports and many of our 600,000 customers inform us that sauna wraps, inflated belts, weighted belts and other 'effortless exercisers' are of little or no value in firming, shaping and beautifying your figure. "YOU MUST WORK OFF THE INCHES," experts say. We believe, and results prove, our's is the simplest, safest, most enjoyable Plan to do it. We Guarantee It. Here's a sampling of what our slimming customers tell us that happened to them while using the Plan.

Name	Pounds Lost	Inches Lost (off waistline)	Time
G. C.	25 lbs.	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	(14 days)
M. F.	32 lbs.	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	(24 days)
W. E.	15 lbs.	3 in.	(14 days)
M. B.	22 lbs.	6 in.	(21 days)
C. J.	10 lbs.	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	(14 days)
P. O.	10 lbs.	6 $\frac{1}{2}$ in.	(14 days)
J. C.	10 lbs.	5 in.	(14 days)

They were measured by experts before and after 14 days. The results verified, some notarized. Your results may vary depending on how overweight you are and how much time you devote to the exerciser. The customers quoted spent 5 to 10 minutes, twice daily and reduced their food intake — temporarily — by about 20%, but none gave up the foods they love.

DO IT NOW! It's America's most successful figure shaper. 600,000 customers have purchased our '5' Minute Plan to slim down fast. Results are proven and some notarized. Our guarantee to you is in writing. Experts agree our plan works—and works fast. Now, can you think of any reason for not ordering your '5' Minute Body Shaper Plan and start slimming down today?

Satisfaction Guaranteed!

"Use our improved '5' Minute Body Shaper Plan for 14 days! See what it can do for you! If it is not what we say it is, simply return it to us, in good condition, for your \$9.95 refund."

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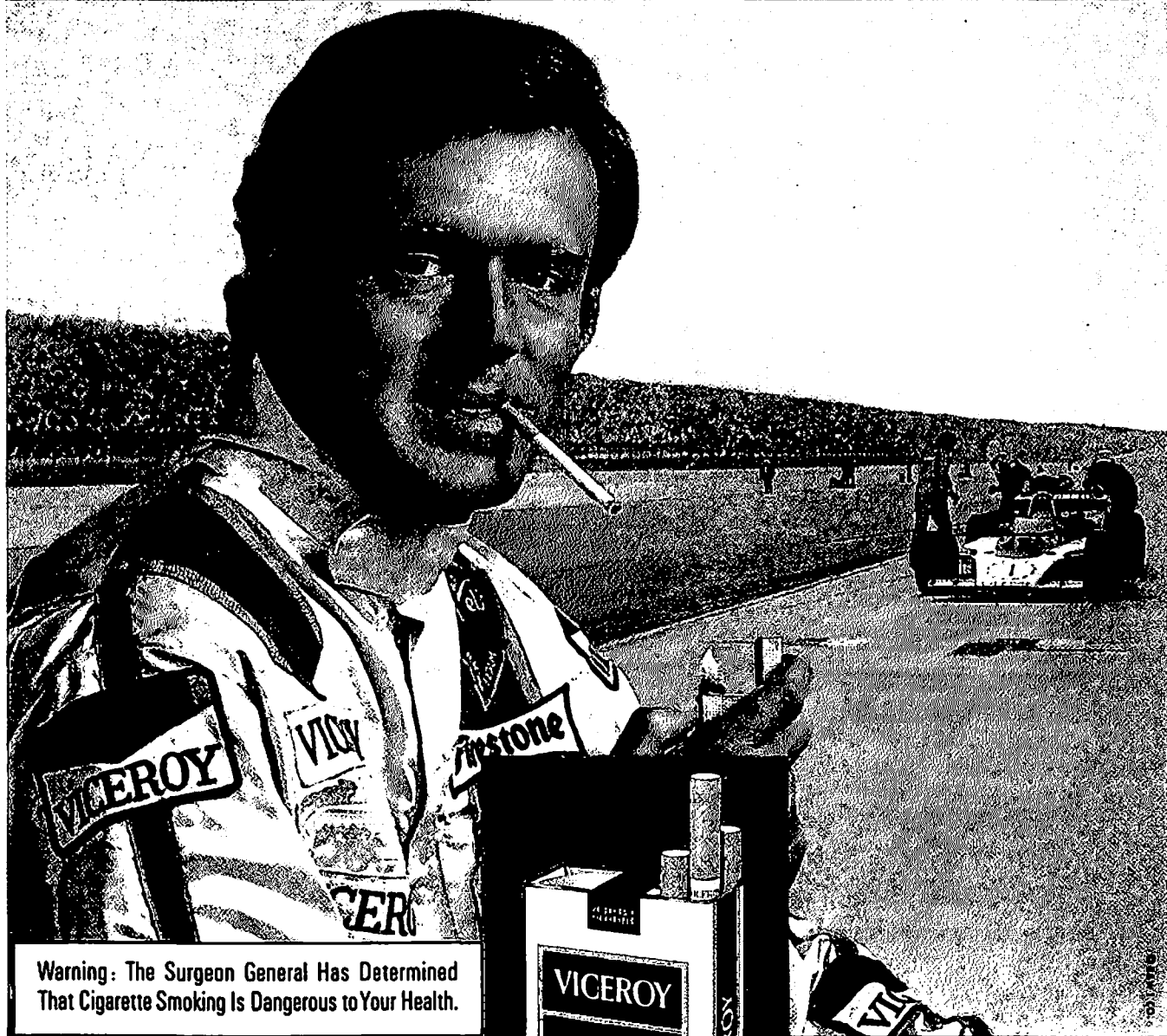
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